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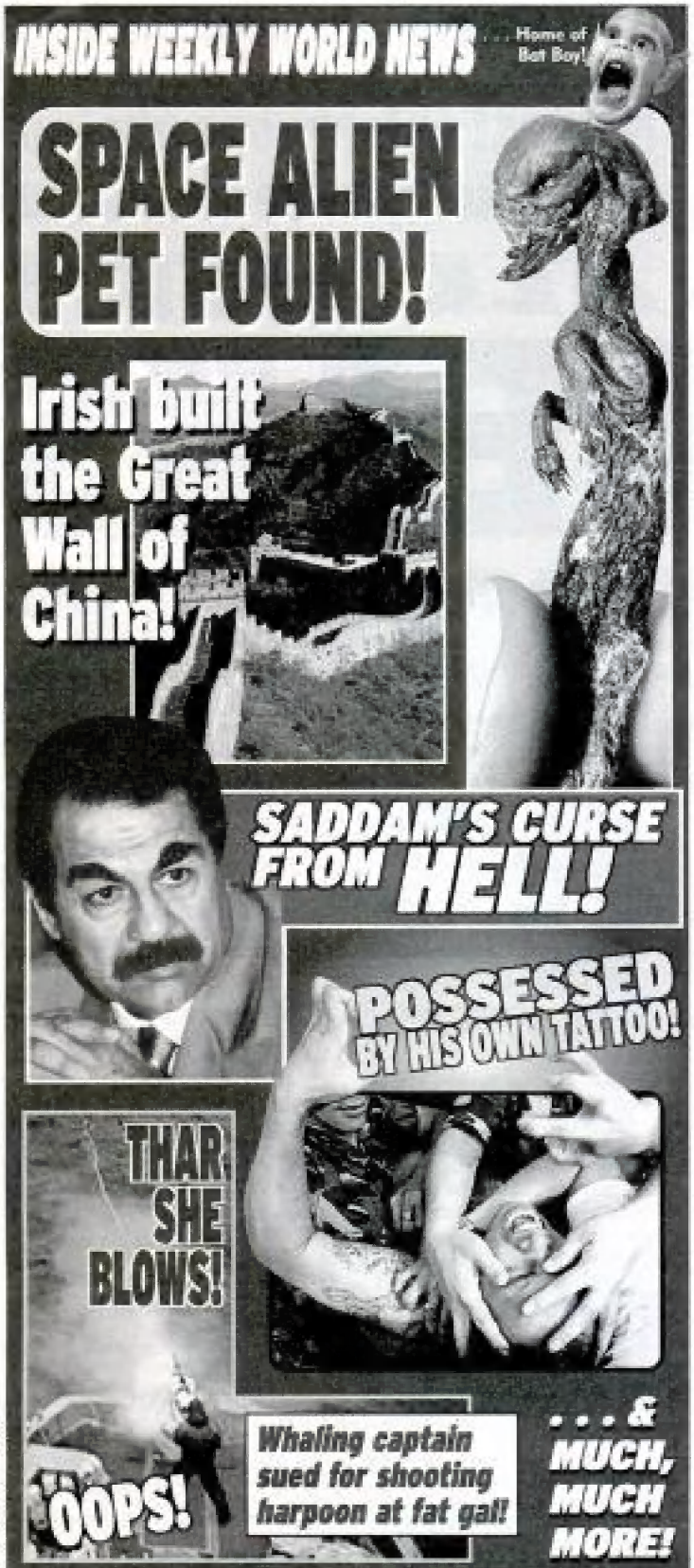

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By CONNIE BECK
Washington Correspondent

A terrifying new species of predator is preying on the homeless in cities across America — and nobody cares.

But concerned researchers say the animal, a strange canine/feline hybrid they've named the Docat, could have killed and eaten more than 100 bums and bag ladies in the past 12 months.

Experts say the Docat is a small, fast and highly mobile animal that hunts in packs of 10 to 12 animals by dark of night.

The creatures weigh 60 to 80 pounds and have excellent night vision and hearing, and their ferocity, thanks to their feral origins, is said to be horrifying.

"When we talk about the Docat, we're talking about the Velociraptor of the inner cities," says frightened zoologist Dr. Paul Hardermann. "If we don't track this animal down quick, the death toll could soar into the thousands."

The FBI couldn't agree more. According to a source at the agency's headquarters here in the nation's capital, Docats are suspected of having attacked and killed transients and street people in 47 states with only out-of-the way Alaska and Hawaii having escaped their wrath — so far.

"What we're seeing isn't pretty," the source told reporters. "We're finding bits and pieces of bodies in places that you'd never expect an animal to attack: Near soup kitchens and homeless shelters, liquor stores and X-rated theaters, coin laundries and churches — even in well-lighted mall parking lots in uppercrust suburban locations.

"It's a serious problem that we're only beginning to face up to," adds the source. "With terrorism and a dud economy dominating the headlines day after day, you have to ask yourself how much more bad news people can take.

"And so far — and I won't mince words here — they've only picked on society's rejects: People that most of us don't give a damn about.

"But Docats are fast breeders, and as their numbers grow — and

FURRY FREAKS: Dr. Paul Hardermann says the death toll could soar into the thousands if the docats are not destroyed.

— they'll start seeking out other sources of food. It's just a matter of time before a trusting child goes missing and then a slow-moving senior citizen.

"Can you imagine what would happen if a pack of Docats slipped through a door and got into the TV room at an old folks' home — or jumped a fence to get on the playground at a day-care center?

"I can. And I assure you, it's not something I want to think about. We're talking about a nightmare of carnage that would rock this country to its foundations."

Even at this late date, nobody is sure where Docats originated.

But Dr. Hardermann says "we almost certainly are witnessing the evolution of a new species" as opposed to something that was created in a gene-splicing experiment gone haywire.

"Only a new species could pop up simultaneously across the contiguous United States," says the expert, who has been mapping Docat activity since Aug. 4, 2002, when the first reported attack occurred in Richmond, Va.

That's when witnesses told cops they saw "eight half-cat/half-dog monsters" kill and eat a 38-year-old woman who tried in vain to fight them off with a flimsy "Will Work for Food" sign and the plastic "Deputy Dawg" cap pistol she carried for protection.

Official reports — which have since disappeared from police files — quoted the witnesses as having said that the animals "ran out of a wooded area" and isolated the victim "by chasing her away" from the other bums she was hanging out with just blocks from the downtown business district.

The Docats knocked her to the sidewalk, ripped out her throat

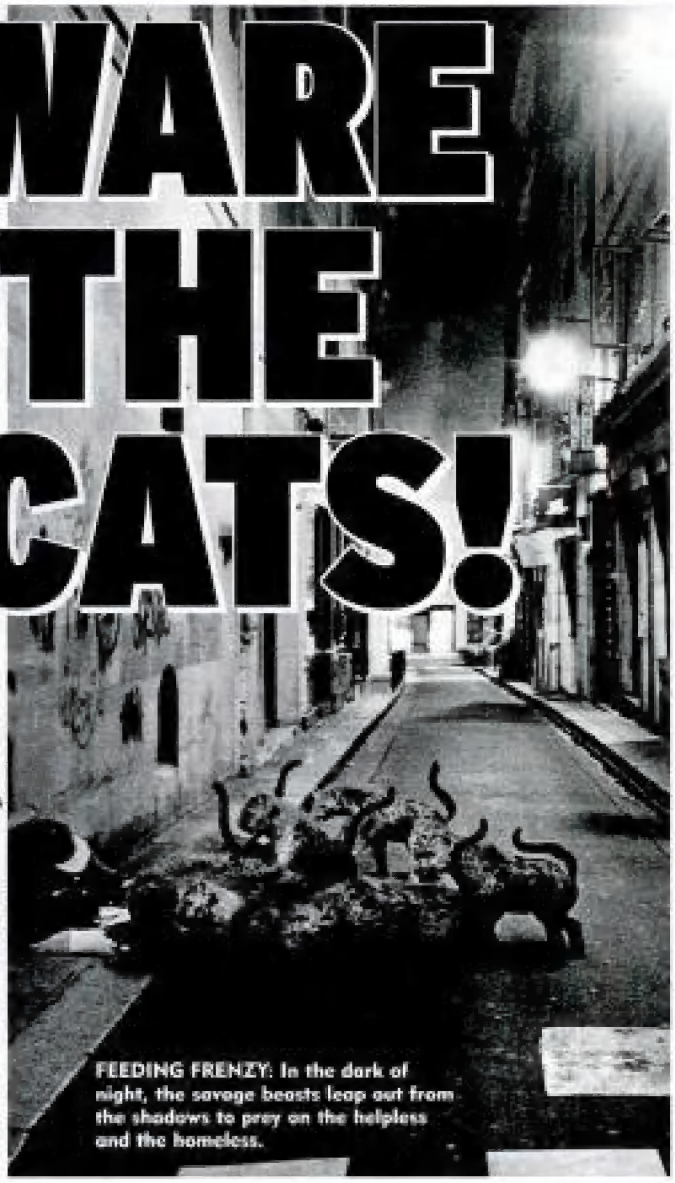
BEWARE OF THE DOCATS!

Mutant predators roam U.S. streets

witnesses told cops, adding that when the animals finished their meal, "all that was left was a pool of her blood and their drool, and a single high-top tennis shoe."

"People want to know how to protect themselves from Docats," says the FBI source.

"My advice is to go about your business, but be aware of the potential for trouble. When you're walking on a city street at night, keep looking over your shoulder."



FEEDING FRENZY: In the dark of night, the savage beasts leap out from the shadows to prey on the helpless and the homeless.

HALF-DOG HALF-CAT MONSTERS HUNT IN PACKS — AND ARE CODED TO KILL

NEWS

BRIEFS

Here, hot off the wire, are the freshest news stories from around the globe!

TEENS TRAIN G-MEN: FBI agents are getting undercover training from 14-year-old girls!

Three 14-year-olds are teaching the G-men how to chat like young girls on the Internet, to catch child-molesting perverts. They're quizzing the agents about celebrity gossip, fashion trends and other girl talk.

All the agents failed their first quiz. "They, like, don't know anything," groans one of the teen teachers.

WOMAN STUCK IN CAR WASH: A woman was rushed to the hospital after getting stuck in a car wash!

Sources say the 42-year-old woman drove into an automatic car wash in Bielefeld, Germany. She got out of the car and punched in a code to start the program that moves the car through the machine. Then she tried to get back in the car — and got pinned when the car started moving.

Another customer saved her by hitting the machine's emergency stop button.

MOM BUYS SINGER'S UNDERPANTS: Starstruck single mom Justina Bearman went into debt to buy her favorite singer's underpants!

Ronan Keating

Bearman paid more than $2,700 for a pair of underpants donated by Ronan Keating, of the Irish pop band Boyzone. She overdrew her bank account to pay for the pricey pants at a charity auction.

"I wanted them because Ronan is my babe and he always has been," says Bearman, a 33-year-old mother of three from Falmouth, England.

NO GOD, SAYS PRIEST: Lutheran priest Thorkild Grosboel outraged his congregation and his bosses by saying there's no God, no eternal life and no resurrection!

Grosboel uttered the outrageous blasphemy in an interview. Diocese leaders suspended him from his position with a congregation in Taarbaek, Denmark, and have demanded that he apologize. They might even boot him out of the priesthood.

"There should be no doubt that priests have committed themselves to act within

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS READERS . . . Sound Off!

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Look no further ladies – I'm man enough for both of you!

Dear Editor,

You really doubled my pleasure with your story on the sexy Siamese twins, Kimberly and Karyn Swilt (*Weekly World News*, July 1, 2003).

I know those gals are looking for two husbands, but I think one man could do the job, and that man is me.

To be honest, I find Karyn to be the prettier of the two, but Kimberly seems more wild, so I guess I'll have to pick both of them!

I've enclosed my photo. I'm ready to walk down the aisle with these two lovely ladies. I hope they pick me.

Herb P.,

Brookhaven, Miss.

Good luck, Herb, but the Swilt sisters really are looking for two guys, not one. They may be deformed freaks, but they're just old-fashioned girls at heart.

Dear Editor,

I believe in time travel and also that Andrew Carissin is innocent. ("Time Traveler Busted for Insider Trading," Feb. 25, 2003). I've been through some rough times, over the years, and I'd like top travel through time to make things right.

I got swindled out of a great deal of money because of phony psychics. I would like to go back and forth in time safely and see things changed.

MISSING: Time traveler Andrew Carissin

I nearly fell for a scam in Nebraska when a man tried to sell me a time machine. But I smelled a rat when he refused to answer any of my questions about how it worked. He said it runs on "soul energy." Well, I'm not messing around with my soul like that.

When Andrew Carissin gets back, please give him my address so he can come pick me up along with the other people who want to time travel.

— Nancy N.,

Lexington, Ky.

We'll put your name on the waiting list, Nancy. If Andrew Carissin ever returns to our time, he's got quite a few volunteers waiting to join him in his travels.

Dear Editor,

In your March 18, 2003, issue of *Weekly World News*, columnist Ed Anger attacks the country of France. Since France chose not to assist the U.S. in the war in Iraq, Ed attacks the integrity of the French with extreme prejudice. He also proposes that the U.S. completely cut off any connections that our nation has with France.

He uses no facts to support his totally outrageous and opinionated claims. The entire article is focused on ridiculing many aspects of French culture.

Ed resorts to childish remarks and slanderous name-calling to make his point. The article has no credibility due to its far-fetched and outrageous nature.

I found the whole column very offensive.

— Joshua A.,

Baton Rouge, La.

Ed Anger replies: "Turnation, boy — you must have French dressing coursing through your veins. My column made a valid point about America being the greatest country in the world, and if you think that lacks credibility, then why don't you pack up your beret and your Jerry Lewis DVD collection and high-tail it back to Frog-town."

Now here's yet another letter in defense of the poor little Monkey Girl being held captive by Korean leader Kim Jong Il . . .

Sirs: If this sad little girl is American, get her home!! She belongs here with us!! Do something now — and quickly!

Catherine S.

Van Nuys, Calif.

We're doing everything we can, Catherine. The rest is up to the U.S. State Department.

Letter of the Week

To Whom It May Concern:

Does Bat Boy have parents? I was wondering about a possible adoption. He would be a wonderful, welcome addition to our family.

My husband and I think he's so very cute — those big eyes melt our hearts. I know that in "bat" years, he's about 35, but in "boy" years, he's 13 — too young to be alone.

Please let us know what our chances may be to give Bat Boy our love.

I would think it was the greatest thing to have Bat Boy as a younger sibling. We will wait to hear from you. Hope we do!

Beth L.

Cokato, Minn.

Are you sure you want to adopt Bat Boy? He can be quite a handful. He gets into so much mischief, the U.S. government is keeping a close eye on him for now. But if you decide to pur-

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COMMIES PLOTTED TO MURDER JOHN WAYNE

How Stalin & Mao tried to assassinate the Duke!

By JUSTIN MITCHELL / *In London*

SOVIET dictator Josef Stalin and Chinese strongman Mao Tse-tung hatched a plot to assassinate John Wayne.

And the deadly duo almost succeeded.

That's the claim in a new book being written by British historian Michael Munn, who says the Duke was loathed and feared by both dictators because of his staunch patriotism and anticommunist views.

"In Stalin's mind, the Americans had invented John Wayne as a new secret weapon," Mann says. "It was a weapon more subtle than a nuclear bomb but just as destructive to Stalin's dream of a world communism.

"For his part, Mao considered Wayne the chief demon of the Great Satan America."

The assassination attempts came years apart and both times Wayne prevailed. Mann, who credits a former stuntman pal of Wayne's and the late Orson Welles as sources for his revelation, says the Duke was tipped off to the first attempt on his life.

With the help of the FBI he set up a sting that captured his two would-be KGB assassins and — in an action reminiscent of his tough-guy screen roles — turned the tables on them.

"When the two Ukrainians came into Wayne's dressing room at Warner Brothers' office, FBI agents stepped inside and held them at gunpoint," Mann says.

"Then Wayne, the agents and a screenwriter pal drove the frightened would-be killers to a remote California beach where, with their hands cuffed behind them, they were forced to kneel with their heads bowed. Wayne and the screenwriter each held a gun to the heads of the two men, then pulled the trigger.

"The guns were props firing blanks, of course, but it took the Ukrainians several seconds to realize they were still alive."

According to Mann, Wayne said: "Send them back to the Kremlin. Maybe they'll think twice before trying again."

Mann says Stalin did try again. In 1953 a group of American communists tried to kill Wayne on the set of *Hondo* but were foiled by the Duke and several of his fellow actors.

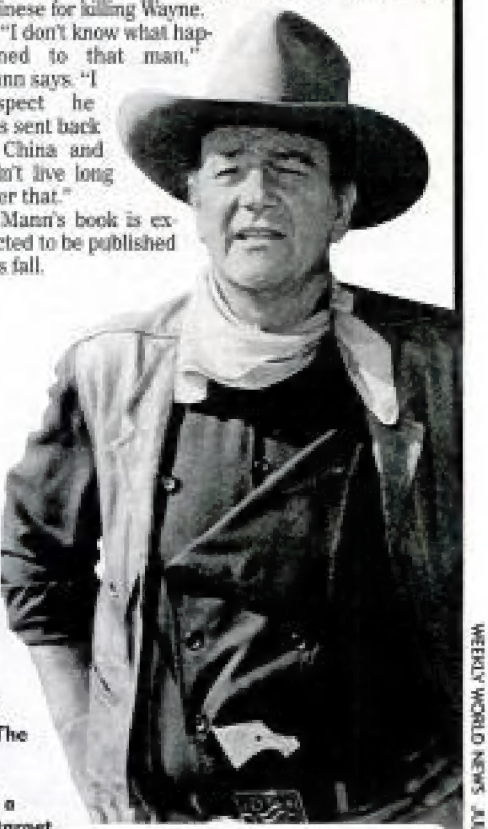
Nikita Khrushchev met Wayne in 1958 while on a visit to the United States and told the startled actor about his predecessor's plot. Khrushchev, a Wayne fan, added that he had rescinded the death sentence.

But Mao's memory was long.

While in Vietnam visiting American troops in 1966, Wayne was nearly killed by a sniper's bullet. When captured, the would-be assassin reportedly said he'd been promised a huge bounty by the Chinese for killing Wayne.

"I don't know what happened to that man," Mann says. "I suspect he was sent back to China and didn't live long after that."

Mann's book is expected to be published this fall.



WAYNE'S WORLD: The Duke's patriotism made him a desirable target of communists at

THE TOOTH FAIRY?

LOVELY Erin spends her days telling people to open wide. The brown-haired beauty, who stands 5 feet 6 inches and weighs 120 pounds, works as a dental assistant. But the 34C-25-35 bombshell has big dreams that go far beyond cleaning teeth. The candy-

This One

THAR SHE BLOWS!

Whaling captain sued for shooting harpoon at fat gal

By MATT BETT
In Ogasawara, Japan

WHALE OF A TALE: Kita Sasaki's head was nearly blown off by a harpoon mistakenly launched at her by whalers.

A 370-POUND woman's peaceful weekend on a relative's sailboat turned into a nightmare when she was mistaken for a whale — and had to dodge a harpoon!

Divorced mom-of-two Kita Sasaki, 37, was sailing off the California coast with her sister and brother-in-law when she dived into the water for a swim.

"I love to swim in the ocean," says the bubbly brunette. "At my size, it is the only vaguely athletic thing I can do really well. It is very relaxing for me."

Sasaki says she swam about half a mile from the boat, then turned and began to stroke her way back.

That's when disaster struck.

"I heard the sound of a ship coming at me fast," she recalls. "I

BLUBBERY BABE: Homeopathy mistook Kita

water, just inches from my head."

The massive, tempered-steel harpoon with its explosive head could have blown Sasaki apart in the water, say whaling experts.

"She would have ended up in so many little pieces, she'd have been food for the gulls," says one ex-whaler.

Captain Ronin Kuronabe, 52, admits he gave the order to fire upon the swimming woman, but believes he made an honest mistake. "I've been whaling this coastline for over 60 years and I know the great sea creature when I see one," he says.

"From my bridge, this woman looked like a great white whale, with blubber aplenty just for the taking. I yelled, 'Thar she blows,' and gave the order to fire the harpoon. It was only later that I said, 'Oops.'"

Kuronabe may be saying "Oops" again quite soon. Sasaki has hired an attorney and is

"This is rampant discrimination against a woman with an alternate body image," says her lawyer. "Not only was my client nearly killed by the mistake of a negligent whaling captain, but she was forced to suffer further indignities when he didn't return her to her relative's sailboat but brought her to shore in front of thousands of jeering people on the beach."

Another beach-goer is not surprised at the turn of events. "I'm always telling my wife that this beach is an accident waiting to happen," he says. "Those whaling boats are everywhere, manned by trigger-happy harpooners, and the water is filled with big, fat people."

Captain Kuronabe remains unremorseful. "My boat remains docked while the authorities complete the investigation," he says. "I'm losing money and being sued over a simple mistake anyone could have made."

Sasaki remains on medical leave from her job as a restaurant hostess, taking time to recover from emotional trauma.

"I may never go back to work," she says. "This incident has changed my life. If I do anything, I would like to speak out and advance the cause of overweight people everywhere."

Study shows: PERFUME MAKES YOU SEEM

WANT to appear smaller without actually dieting? Smell like flowers!

"Wearing a floral spice odor can reduce a woman's perceived weight by as much as 7 percent," says Dr. Alan Hirsch, neurological director of the Smell & Taste Research and Treatment Foundation in Chicago.

As part of a 10-year study, Dr. Hirsch sprayed saleswomen with a variety of fragrances and had them ask men to guess their weight. Those

FEMINISTS WANT ROBOTS TO REPLACE MEN!

JUNK ALL MEN: Dr. Pauline Fallington says robots are the ultimate partners for gals.

'We demand male replicas that will do everything a man can, by 2020!'

By CRYSTAL LEIGH

In New York

RABID feminists have issued a startling challenge to scientists: Build us robots to replace men by the year 2020!

And, incredibly, experts in the fields of computer science and artificial intelligence say it can be done.

"We can make a serviceable, fully functioning male right now," says Dr. Pauline Fallington, an avowed feminist whose scholarly books on robotics and artificial intelligence are considered standards in the field.

"What I'm hearing from women is that they want a robot capable of performing all the current functions of the human male. They require a relatively primitive machine that can hold simple conversations, perform passably for short periods in bed, do chores around the house, and provide a sense of physical security for those who are uncomfortable living alone.

"All this is certainly within the realm of possibility. It's quite likely we can create robots in the next 10 to 15 years that will compare quite favorably with men and in many ways surpass them, especially in areas like sensitivity and a lack of obnoxious bodily functions.

"Of course, at least for the foreseeable future, we will need a few men as breeding stock. That is one function that can't yet be performed by a robot."

Male advocacy groups are outraged by the suggestion that men can be replaced by machines, especially in the bedroom where imagination and creativity play as much of a role as "mechanics."

But growing numbers of women are thrilled by the prospect — and they're agitating for a robotic male society.

"It's been a man's world long enough," says feminist and author Marilyn Foste. "Women are making gains in the workplace, so we don't need men to support us. About the only things we do need them for are sex, companionship, protection and to give us children.

"Talk to any woman with a significant other and she'll tell you he's uncouth, demanding, lazy, and seldom talks or offers little emotional support.

"We demand male replicas that will do everything a man can, by 2020," says Foste, "although it really should take less than five years to come up with something so simple."

Gay men are also jumping on the rights activist Roger Sonnerson of San Francisco.

"This could do wonders for the gay movement."

While gays and feminists favor a future filled with robot males, men who subscribe to traditional views of sex, marriage and the family unit are preparing to fight back.

"Contrary to what some women might say, men are still in control," says Texas-based clergyman Alan Bentham. "We might be a silent majority now, but if you press us too far, I think you'll see us revolt. The future is not robotic males, the future is real men, made in God's image and

ROBOT ROMANCE: In the

PERFECT MATE: Robots can be programmed to cuddle up on command, and to listen to every word you say — no matter how long you drone on.

AIDS TERROR DRIVING VAMPIRES TO BRINK OF EXTINCTION!

By MIKE MORSE
Correspondent

VAMPIRES are fast becoming an endangered species . . . and no one is more pleased than a former hunter of the undead.

"There are so many cases of AIDS in Africa and Eastern Europe that vampires are starving to death," says Professor Karl Van Holsing. "They fear the deadly disease, so they are reluctant to feed. When a vampire can't feed, he dies."

The U.N. estimates that the vampire population of Eastern Europe has shrunk from a high of 167,000 in 1983, when the first AIDS cases were diagnosed in San Francisco, to an estimated 12,000 today.

"I haven't driven a stake into a vampire in 10 years," says Van Holsing. "That ought to tell you something."

According to the 63-year-old professor, a nest of 18 vampires was recently sighted near the picturesque village of Basros at the foot of the Transylvanian Alps. To feed, the ghoulish group would often travel as far as Moldova to the north and across the Mediterranean Sea to North Africa.

But AIDS-tainted blood has killed all of them, leaving their bleached, fanged skulls littered over two continents.

"AIDS is a tragedy, but it is the surest way to get rid of a vampire infestation," says Van Holsing. "Some vampire-hunters have even been recruiting some of the more terminal AIDS patients to lure vampires to their deaths. One bite, and the vampire swallows a mouthful of infected blood which kills them in short order. These brave AIDS patients are sacrificing their lives to help end the scourge of vampirism."

Van Holsing sees a certain irony in the fact that the deadly disease of AIDS is the

RARE stake expert Karl Van Holsing.

of the very substance that sustains their existence."

Indeed, while garlic, holy water, and stakes through the heart are only partially effective against nosferatu, AIDS is 100 percent fatal for the creatures of the night.

Not everyone is happy to see the extinction of the vampire species.

"In spite of their fearsome reputation, vampires are entitled to exist on our planet," says Margarite Pashay, head of a Romanian group called Save the Living Undead Now, or SLUN. "Like other predators in our ecosystem, such as sharks and rattlesnakes, the undead deserve to live."

To that end, SLUN members have begun offering medical help to infected vampires and are currently lobbying for a UN resolution condemning what the group calls "undead genocide."

Van Holsing and his supporters are not worried about SUN's humanitarian efforts and attributes their benevolent efforts to ignorance.

"I'd like to see how compassionate Ms. Pashay would be to the vampires' plight if it were her neck being bitten," he says.

DEAD AGAIN: Skeletons of two AIDS victims were found lying next to each other. Note the vampire fangs on the skull facing forward.

VAMPIRE'S LAIR: Transylvanian castles like this one, once the

SAVE EINSWINE!

By JEFFREY GURIAN
Correspondent

Help keep the world's smartest porker out of the slaughterhouse

EINSWINE relaxes with his owner, Jacob Kratcher. You can see some of the complex equations he enjoys solving scratched into his pen.

In Macon, GA., there is a pig so smart he spends his time writing complex algebraic equations on the walls of his sty or thinking great thoughts about the nature of hogkind and it's place in the universe.

"He's so smart we call him Einswine," says farmer Jacob Kratcher. "But that don't matter. I'm still gonna turn him into pork chops."

Now thousands of people across the nation are flocking to Einswine's cause in a desperate bid to save him from the butcher's knife and the scalding pot.

"I'm being cast as the villain in all this, and the pig is made out to be a saint," Kratcher says.

"What's so special about a pig that solves equations and claims to be a divine swine sent from God to save all hogkind? I've met pigs like that before."

However, researchers say Einswine could be unique. They believe his daddy could have been the famous porker Frances, a pig that made headlines around the world for his amazing intelligence.

Einswine, formerly known as Walter, exposed his mathematical ability after he snuck into Kratcher's home one day and started pecking away at the computer with his snout and hooves.

"I walked in and saw him computin' all kinds of tough math problems," Kratcher recalls.

Kratcher's son showed the results to his math teacher — and amazingly, the porker had solved every equation correctly.

The unimpressed Kratcher is still considering turning Einswine into lard.

Zoologists say Einswine's brain has a cerebral cortex more like a human being's than that of a pig.

Intrigued scientists note that Einswine seems to have a propensity for quantum physics, but spends his free time lolling in the mud, in front of a VCR, watching Porky Pig cartoons. He also enjoys watching *Good Will Hunting*, the story of a math genius posing as an imbecile.

Kratcher says he has no intention of cashing in on his prize pig.

"I've had a couple of offers from carnivals and freak shows, but I really don't see the point. I don't think anybody would pay to see a pig do math.

"The way I figure it, my job is to bring home the bacon, not an equation."

Despite Kratcher's comment that "we don't need pigs to do math problems — we've got people for that," *WWN* has discovered that Kratcher has been using Einswine to do his accounting.

But now, sadly, the pig's time is running out.

PIG POLL

YOU BE THE JUDGE

THERE'S not much time left. Einswine the supersmart pig is headed for the oven — unless his owner changes his mind! Send in your vote, and we'll pass the results on to Farmer Kratcher!

☐ **YES! Einswine is a special pig who has much to offer humanity. Let him live!**

☐ **NO! No matter how intelligent he is, Einswine is still just**

WANNA-BE COP BUSTS CAR THIEVES

— then gets busted for impersonating a police officer!

BRIAN Stander of Johannesburg, South Africa, looked like a cop, acted like a cop and even solved crimes like a cop. The problem: Stander wasn't a real cop!

Unable to join the police force because of a juvenile conviction, Stander, 28, stole a police uniform, attached police sirens and lights to his car and started fighting crime. One of his investigations even led to the arrest

police detective whose name he had borrowed. He was found guilty of car theft, impersonating a police officer,

NEWS 'TOONS

"The good news is, you're not allergic to your dog. The bad news is, you have fleas and ticks."

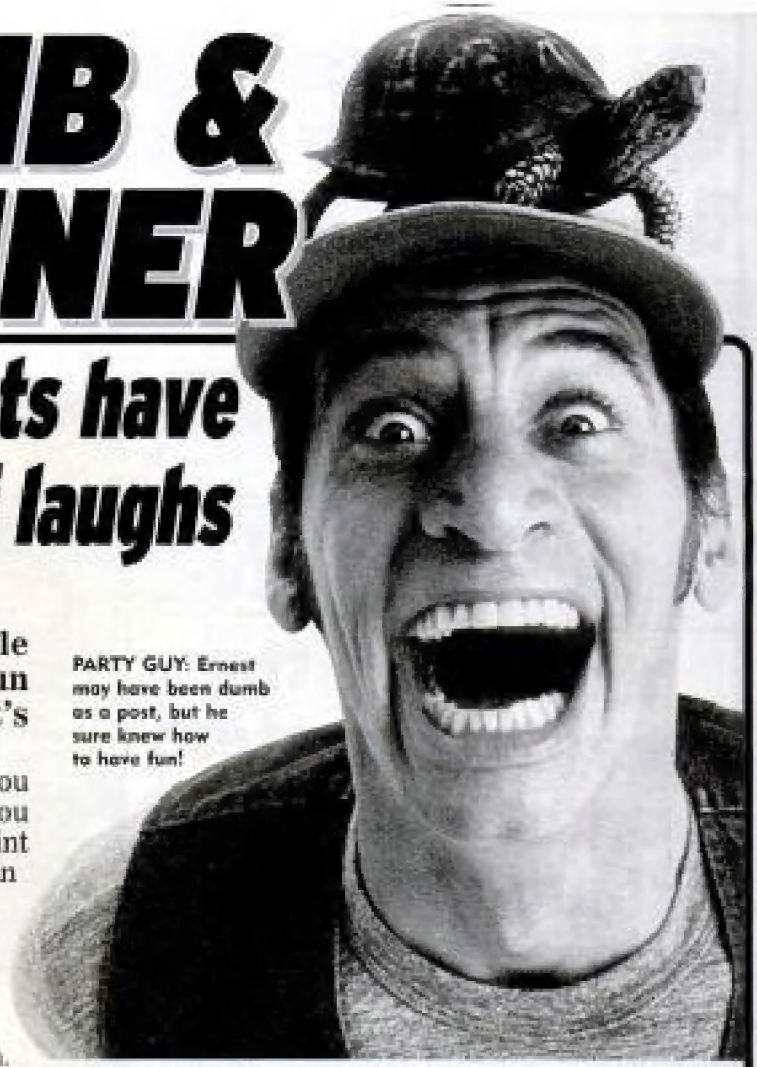
"Our secret to 40 years of married bliss? We only speak to each other during the commercials."

"So I turned you in for the reward!? I had to have something to live on until you get out!"

"Well, if I'm not the man you-

DUMB & FUNNER

Why idiots have a load of laughs



PARTY GUY: Ernest may have been dumb as a post, but he sure knew how to have fun!

By BABS LoFORTE
Correspondent

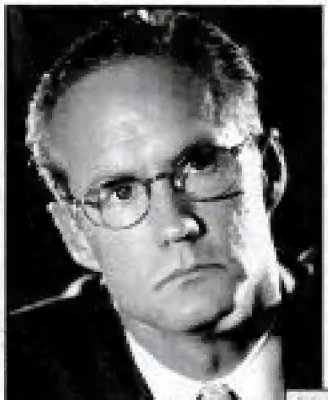
Stupid people have more fun — and that's official!

And the dumber you are, the more fun you have, reveals a new joint American and European study.

"In the United States, average intelligence means you're about as smart as a German Shepherd," says lead researcher Martin Quinlan. "Since we're talking about 'average,' about half the population falls under that intelligence level — the really dumb ones.

Yet, our research shows that the stupid are more relaxed, more fun-loving and get more enjoyment out of life, mainly because they don't know any better."

The groundbreaking experiment was conducted over a period of seven years, and involved twenty subjects — ten of whom held Masters degrees and earned a yearly salary of $100,000 or above, and ten who never graduated High School and earned $25,000 a year or less.



RESEARCHER Martin Quinlan says smart people don't know how to enjoy life.

"We organized a series of black-tie socials, barbecues and beach parties and invited all of our test subjects to attend these functions," says Quinlan. "In every instance, the higher-educated subjects stood around like a bunch of wooden statues while the so-called 'dropouts' whooped it up and had the time of their lives."

It didn't matter whether the test was conducted in a bar or at a barbecue, Quinlan notes — the results were the same every time.

"You can always count on lower-IQ people to do something spontaneous and unpredictable, like streaking, skinny-dipping, or putting a lampshade on their heads.

"Stupid people will drink till they puke or pass out, while smart people will closely monitor their alcohol intake all night. By the end of the night, the dum-dums are dancing on the furniture and having a great time, while the smarties are moping around with their hands in their pockets, looking like they'd rather be at home reading a book.

"Essentially, smart people spend too much time obsessing about the consequences of their actions, while idiots live for the moment and never think about tomorrow. They don't even realize their actions have consequences. They never think, 'I'll pay for this in the morning.'

"So if you're throwing a party and you want to invite guests who are going to have the most fun, who are you going to invite: A

OL' BLUE EYES LIVES!

Amazing new device brings back the dead in lifelike holographic images

By BRUCE HU/*Correspondent*

SINATRA is back! A high-tech Radio City Music Hall production that features the late singing legend as a live-action three-dimensional image could lead to the virtual resurrection of deceased loved ones, says a former Hollywood special effects expert!

The presentation, entitled "Sinatra: His Voice. His World. His Way," will run from October 10 to 19 and will feature "the Chairman of the Board" moving about the stage with the help of ultra-sophisticated projection technology and backed by a live 40-piece orchestra.

Sinatra will come to life at Radio City courtesy of some 35mm film footage shot of him in the late 1950s.

The footage will be projected onto three-dimensional cubes that will move about the stage, and the Chairman will sing and dance like he never left us.

But a radical inventor is preparing to take that same technology off the stage — and into your living room.

"The image regeneration methods you'll see in the Sinatra show are similar to what I have been working on for the past few years," says hologram engineer Richard Markelli.

Markelli's amazing new project, using state-of-the-art holographic imagery

"Imagine dear old Dad living forever, scratching his butt while lounging around the house in his boxer shorts and screaming at Mom to get him a cold beer," Markelli says. "My VirtuMate technology will ensure that the people we love and cherish most will be with us for all of eternity.

Markelli is confident that his VirtuMate Regenerator will be a huge seller, especially among Baby Boomers whose World War II-generation parents are dying at the current rate of several thousand a day.

"Boomers are widely known as the 'hippy generation' who rebelled against their parents and didn't really want them around, but as they got older, they began to appreciate Mom and Dad more, and now many can't bear the thought of losing them," he says.

"By the time VirtuMate becomes available to the public, it will be popular with affluent 50-somethings who long for the comforts of home that only a parent can provide."

Best of all, consumers will be able to create simulations of celebrities in their own homes.

"You'll be able to have an Elvis Presley or Judy Garland concert, right in your own home," Markelli says.

The VirtuMate Regenerator is still in its early planning stage and is targeted for a mid-2009 release date.

SCIENCE, NOT FICTION: Holograms like these popular in the *Star Wars* movies were once considered pure fantasy. Not anymore!

LIFESAVER: Markelli's invention will ensure our loved ones will be with us for all eternity.

The Chairman did it his way!

- Sinatra was born Dec. 12, 1915, at 415 Monroe St. in Hoboken, N.J. He died on May 14, 1998, at age 82.
- His last words: "I'm losing it."
- He's interred at location B-8, [illegible]
- He had only two No. 1 single records: "Strangers in the Night" in 1966 and "Something Stupid," made with daughter Nancy in 1967.
- Two terrible coincidences occurred [illegible] best is yet to come."
- His son Frank Jr. had been kidnapped. While shooting a funeral scene, he learned President Kennedy had been assassinated in Dallas.
- Known as the Chairman of the Board, Sinatra once said, his son Frank Jr. had been kidnapped. While shooting a funeral scene, he learned President Kennedy had been assassinated in Dallas.

SPACE ALIEN PET FOUND!

By DACK KENNEDY
In Los Galindos, Chile

Mummified creature is 3 inches tall – no bigger than your thumb!

TINY TERROR: Don't be fooled by the size of this ET.

A TINY, mummified creature that looks like a miniature monster from the movie *Alien* has been found in a remote village in Chile.

And a leading archaeologist who recently found extraterrestrial skulls at Roswell, New Mexico, says it could be the remains of an alien pet.

Forensic archaeologist Dr. Phil Parthos says the thumb-size creature is the extraterrestrial equivalent of a cat or "rat dog" that was brought aboard a starship to keep vermin under control.

"This little creature was a vicious little predator," Parthos says. "It was bred to kill creatures larger than itself, probably the extraterrestrial equivalent of ship's rats.

FORENSIC expert Dr. Phil Parthos

"It has a mouthful of sharp teeth and oversized jaws that suggest it could have chewed through prey — or your fingers — with the power and precision of a buzz saw.

"The animal was a hunter and a meat eater, and that's why I'm confident it was brought aboard an ancient UFO as a combination pet and rat-

would have had some other means of keeping pests at bay.

"The fact that they used an animal suggests that it had other desirable qualities. My autopsy revealed its brain cavity is quite large, which tells me that it was fairly intelligent. It also appears to have had well-developed vocal cords, which suggests it may have been gifted with a primitive form of speech.

"Like a dog or a cat on Earth, it may have been a good friend and companion — something a crew far from home might have appreciated while they explored the loneliness of space."

The creature was found by a boy playing near the village of Los Galindos. The child took it home to his parents and they later contacted Chilean authorities.

"I was called in as a consultant to study the creature," Dr. Parthos says. "I'd never seen anything quite like it.

"An animal like this does not exist anywhere on Earth, and that's probably just as well. When this thing was alive it was no bigger than your thumb, but it was vicious beyond reason.

"Just think — if the pet was this savage, what were its masters like?

"To control a predator like this, the aliens must have been pretty ferocious themselves. The extraterrestrials who brought this animal on board their ship were not cuddly ETs — they were big enough and tough enough and mean

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With a little help from some friends!
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KU KLUTZ KLAN!

By CINDY PHELPS
Correspondent

Bungling firestarters even burn themselves to a crisp!

ONE KU Klux Klansman was killed and 16 others were seriously injured when sparks from their Birmingham, Ala., crossburning:

- Set fire to a storage shed filled with dynamite and blasting caps, causing a bomb-like explosion that sent three Ku Kluxers to the emergency room — one with the side of his face blown off.
- Spooked a herd of 60 cows that trampled five squealing Klansmen in a wild stampede.
- Touched off a grassfire that, according to firefighters, spread "like lightning" and literally "burned the robes" off six men, all of whom suffered first and second degree burns.

And that's not all.

A Klansman trying to flee the fiasco in his pickup ran over three terrified pals who were running away on foot. When the dust cleared, one man was dead. Two others were writhing on the ground in agony with broken legs.

"This was the most disastrous cross-burning in the history of the KKK — bar none," a scrambled Klansman told a reporter from his hospital bed.

"I've been to hundreds of these things and the worst that ever happened was we got rained out or somebody forgot to bring matches.

"Maybe the Good Lord is trying to tell us something. I lost my best friend out there and just about everybody I know got hurt.

"We weren't even trying to scare anyone. It was a dry run."

Police are withholding the names of the dead and injured pending the outcome of an investigation that could lead to murder and accessory-to-murder charges for the 15 men who survived.

In the meantime, several of the participants are speaking out on condition of anonymity to, as one put it, "set the record straight in advance."

KENTUCKY FRIED KLANSMEN: Nobody ever accused the Klan of being a bunch of rocket scientists. Even so, the sheer idiocy of the 'hooded hatemongers' blunder came as a shock to most.

member Klan cell met at a fast-food restaurant and decided to burn a cross "to drum up some interest" in the group.

They set a time and place and advertised the event by word of mouth. But when all was said and done, only 21 Klansmen showed up to light the 16-by-6 oak cross, which had been wrapped in burlap and soaked with kerosene.

"We set everything up by daylight and then hung around drinking beer and talking religion until it got dark," says the Klansman. "When somebody popped *Dixie* in a boom box, we pulled on our hoods and formed a circle around the cross.

"One of our guys lit it with a torch."

Everything "looked good," he continues, "until a gust of wind blew sparks off the burlap wrapping. The next thing I know somebody's yelling, 'The shed's on fire!' and then I hear someone else screaming, 'Now it's the grass!'

"A split second later there was an explosion that knocked me flat on my back. I knew I was hurt because I couldn't get up. But I could still hear everything.

"And what I heard was cows."

grazing in a field about 100 yards away stampeded after the explosion, trampling five men who couldn't get out of their way.

"Guys were moaning and groaning and cussing and I could tell they were in pain," continues the Klansman. "Then I heard a pickup start and I could see its headlights. At first it was coming straight at me and I thought, 'Lord this is it — he's going to grind me under those wheels like hamburger.'

"Just then it veered to the left. There was a thud and a crunch and I could see grown men flying. I served in Vietnam and that's what it looked like out there — a war zone. That's the only thing I can compare it to."

Police, fire trucks and ambulances started arriving "within minutes," he says, and "at some point, I blacked out."

He says he woke up in a hospital emergency room hearing the good news that he wasn't seriously injured, and the bad news that his best friend was dead — and 13 other pals were injured.

"Those old boys ought to have known better," says an undercover cop who has infiltrated numerous hate groups, including the Klan. "If you play with fire too

HOSPITAL WORKERS DESECRATE CORPSE – WITH BACON!

TWO FORMER London hospital workers were arrested on suspicion of desecrating a 65-year-old Muslim woman's body by covering it with bacon while she lay in a mortuary!

It's against the Muslim religion to touch or eat pork products so police are treating the incident as a religiously motivated hate crime.

"This is an appalling and repelling crime which has caused widespread concerns in the community," said Detective Superintendent Gordon Briggs of a London police task force on racial and violent crime.

Driver loses race – by slowing down to wave to crew!

DRIVER Bjorn Wirdheim of Sweden lost the Monaco F3000 with just 45 yards to go because he slowed down to wave to his pit crew!

As Wirdheim celebrated his apparent victory, Nicola Kiesa passed him at full speed to take the checkered flag.

"I thought I had crossed the finish line," said a devastated Wirdheim. "It was a stupid mistake."

CREEPY COP HAS AN AFFAIR WITH HIS HALF-SISTER!

A LONDON police officer who admitted to an affair with his long-lost half-sister claimed in court that he was the victim of a rare disorder — genetic sexual attraction syndrome!

Tony Smedley, 40, fell madly in love with his half-sister, Janet Paveling, 41, after they were reunited following a 25-year separation. Their relationship became public when Smedley's colleagues found graphic love letters to Paveling in his locker.

Smedley was given 18 months probation and will probably lose his job. The judge, however, was sympathetic,

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By STANLEY DONALDSON/Correspondent

HOLY VISION IN TOILET SAVES GAL FROM SUICIDE

AN INCREDIBLE vision of St. Padre Pio appeared in a toilet bowl — and persuaded a grieving widow to put down the kitchen knife she was about to plunge into her heart.

Says Ethel Farbinger: "In one month, my husband died of emphysema and then my mother passed away. Somehow I just couldn't cope with the loss of the two people who were dearest to me in the whole world. Suicide seemed like the only way out."

Overwhelmed by despair, Farbinger, a 28-year-old teacher's aide from Detroit, planned to stab herself in the heart and bring it all to an end.

But then a miracle happened.

"I locked myself in the bathroom at my school and I had the knife in my hand," she recalls. "But before I could actually commit the act, a brilliant light suddenly filled the room and I saw the image of St. Padre Pio in my toilet.

"He smiled up at me and gently explained how taking my life would cause more problems that it would solve. 'Many people will be greatly saddened by your death,' he said. 'You must think of them and the good work you still have to do here on Earth.' He then told me that embracing God's love would help get me through this terrible period.

"When the image disappeared, I sat down on the floor and sobbed for almost an hour. But when the tears stopped, I felt a tremendous sense of relief. It was as if God had removed the weight of the world from my shoulders."

Farbinger's best friend, cab driver Kathy D'Amicio, noticed the difference the next day.

"I knew Ethel had been going through a terrible, terrible time," D'Amicio says. "Losing Frank devastated her, then her mother died. I did everything I could to cheer her up, but nothing worked. I didn't know what to think when she told me about the visit from St. Padre Pio. The story sounded so surreal. But there was no denying Ethel was a changed person.

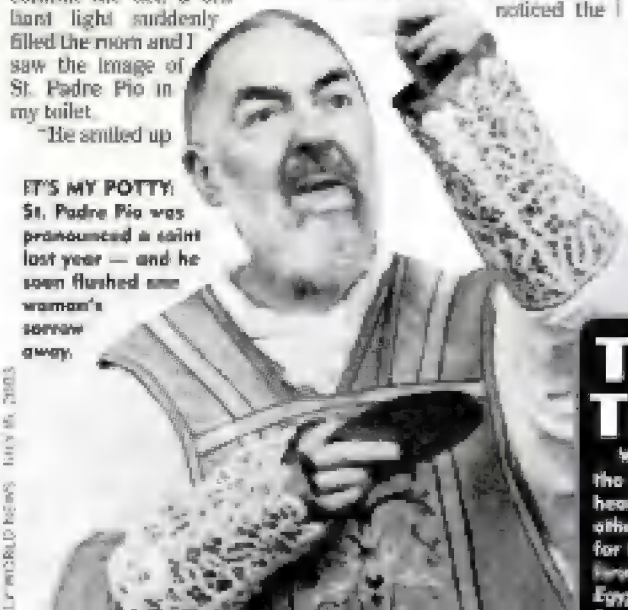
"Whatever happened that day, real or imagined, it saved her life."

Farbinger has since turned her home into a shrine to St. Padre Pio, complete with framed pictures and worship candles.

"I wouldn't be alive if St. Padre Pio hadn't come to me in my darkest moment," she says. "I owe him everything I have today. I can never repay him for his remarkable kindness, so I honor him every chance I get.

"Some people think I'm crazy, but I don't care. A miracle happened in my life and I want the whole world to know about it."

RELIEF FROM SORROW: Distraught with despair, Ethel Farbinger was going to end it all — until she came face-to-face with her potty-bowling patron.



IT'S MY POTTY: St. Padre Pio was pronounced a saint last year — and he soon flushed one woman's sorrow away.

TOILET TRIVIA

WE CALL it the john, the crapper and the head. Here are some other historic names for the potty:

Ancients: House of Honor

Egyptians: House of the Morning

World War I doughboys passing through England saw the words T. Crapper Chelsea printed on the water tanks and coined the slang crapper, meaning toilet.

WHAT did people use before the invention of toilet paper?

- Some used a mussel shell, called a scraper.
- The Romans used a stick with a sponge on one end.
- In the desert, sand was the cleaner of choice.

My America

BY ED ANGER

THOSE INTERNET SPAMMERS ARE MAKING ME WILD!

E-MAIL MELTDOWN: Having your inbox clogged with porn come-ons and financial schemes can drive you nuts.

I'M MADDER than a rooster in an empty hen house at Internet spammers and I won't take it anymore.

You have no idea how those creeps clutter up my e-mail with their junk, everything from penis enlargement pills to some lady telling me she'll give me a million dollars if I'll only help her get her money out of Africa.

"Rush me 10 grand quick as possible and we'll get the whole thing started," she says. Right. As if yours truly is gonna fall for a stupid con like that.

Just the other day I mentioned the enlargement pills to my wife Thelma Jean and she just

"We got four young 'uns as it is. I reckon you've already done enough damage with that thing without it getting any bigger."

Thelma Jean, bless her, always gets right to the heart of the matter.

The spam I really hate is the pornography. I mean, you should see the stuff I get. It's really vile.

Remember I once told you about my uncle Luke "Stonewall" Jackson, from

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YOU'VE GOT JUNK MAIL: Ed is fed up with unwanted e-mails — and he says it's time somebody did something!

the Tennessee hills with the simple son and the bad piles?

Well, Uncle Luke once worked in a factory that made ladies' corsets, so he knows plenty about that sex

raphic e-mails he gets make even him blush.

"It's time the gubmint banned them outright," Uncle Luke says. "It just ain't fittin' for good Christian folks to be seeing that filth."

Well, I have an idea. We ask the government to get one of their smart lawyers — God knows, there's plenty of them around — and get them to send a warning letter to the pornography spammers.

It should be a real learned letter saying something like: "Don't send e-mail spam no more or we'll throw you in jail for 20 years."

If they ignore that warn-

arrest them and lock them up.

Oh, and while they're at it, the officers should also put the idiots who respond to pornographic e-mails behind bars. They're just as bad as the spammers and maybe a lot worse.

That's how we can end this plague once and for all. And good riddance, I say.

Now, while we're on the subject, have you ever tast-

TASTY TREAT: The only kind of spam that Ed wants to see is the kind made

ed Thelma Jean's Rack of Spam?

Wooeee! It's good eating.

First the little lady gets a nice cut of Spam from the market. Then, depending on how many young 'uns she's feeding, she carves it into that many pieces.

The trick is only to slice the Spam about two-thirds of the way down because you have to stuff Cheddar cheese into the cuts.

Put the Rack of Spam in an oven at 350 degrees and bake until the fat bubbles and the cheese melts.

Serve with freedom fries and a mess of turnip greens and you've got a feast fit for a king.

Now, you can feed me that kind of Spam anytime!

POSSESSED – BY HIS OWN TATTOO!

By JUSTIN MITCHELL/In Bangkok

A MAN writhes in terror, screaming, as his evil tattoos take possession of his body.

Thus is no scene from a make-believe horror movie — it happens for real every day in Thailand and in other countries around the world, including right here in the U.S.

But the devil's designs have a strong enemy in exorcist Franz Richtenberg, a German priest who specializes in tattoo possession.

Psychologists and theologists worldwide call the phenomenon "possession by design." The sufferer believes the pictures on his skin have come to life, replacing his personality and even his soul with the malevolent spirit of the designs.

"People with animal tattoos become the animals," Father Richtenberg says. "I've seen cases of multiple possession where someone with, say, an eagle and a snake, turns into a screaming, hissing reptile/bird entity."

The priest, who travels the world performing tattoo exorcisms, has several tattoos himself, a legacy of his younger days in the German navy.

"I've had no trouble with them," he says. "Maybe I've just been lucky."

But others are not so fortunate.

"I invoke the power of the Lord's light to get under the skin of the possessed," he says. "In total, I suppose I've performed more than 1,750 tattoo exorcisms worldwide."

Father Richtenberg first discovered his gift for exorcism in October 1998 while counseling a fellow priest who was possessed by a "demonic mother" tattoo that simply said, "Mom."

He is in high demand at gatherings where tattoo lovers congregate, such as heavy metal concerts and biker rallies. He regularly attends the world-famous Thailand Tattoo fest where more than 5,000 tattooed men gather every September and work themselves into a frenzy of body art.

TAT'S ALL, FOLKS: This man was driven berserk by his body art at the famous Thailand Tattoo fest.

"The men believe they are under spells cast by their tattoos and their terror is very real," Father Richtenberg says. "After exhausting themselves trying to flee their demons, they run to an enormous statue of Buddha and beg his mercy."

Lines form at a tent outside the festival grounds where the priest works 18-hour shifts casting out tattoo demons.

"The foreign priest saved my life," says Apai Niratpattanasai, a 23-year-old whose back and chest is totally covered in tattoos. "He cast the demons from my body, among them a dragon, a tiger and a snake. They were all fighting inside me."

PSYCHO SKIN ART: It takes a powerful priest to help save people who've been possessed by seemingly ordinary body art.

TATTOO TERROR

From the case files of Father Richtenberg, here are some shocking tales of tattoo terror:

● A man in Frankfurt, Germany, who had an anchor tattooed on his arm, was out scuba diving when he suddenly found himself sinking to the bottom of the ocean. "It was as if my arm weighed as much as a real anchor," the man later recalled. "It took three men to get me back to the surface, and then I immediately had the tattoo removed."

● A sailor in Hong Kong who had a dragon tattooed on his chest suddenly found himself breathing fire. He set three tables aflame and almost burned the place to the ground.

● A woman in Switzerland, with a pair of angel wings tattooed on her back, found herself flying several feet off the ground.

"It was terrifying," she later recalled. "I could feel the wings flapping on my back."

It took Father Richtenberg to bring her down to Earth, where he promptly clipped her wings.

● A woman with two dogs tattooed on her chest says the dogs started growling and tried to attack her husband.

"I was making love to my husband when my breasts went berserk. The dog tattoos on my chest grew teeth and tried to bite him."

Father Richtenberg was able to exorcise the dogs.

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PSFSUS

MOM HAS BOOZE PARTY WITH KIDS, COPS SAY

THE PARTY'S OVER: Mom should have stuck to milk and cookies, lawmen say.

A group of teens drank beer and liquor at a party arranged by a mom who had claimed to be running an innocent sleepover, say shocked lawmen!

Jacqueline Allerton, 40, has been charged with corrupting minors and furnishing liquor to minors. In a bizarre case in which she allegedly bought booze for the kids and drank it with them in a motel room she'd rented.

Allerton has pleaded not guilty to the charges, filed by the Bucks County District Attorney's Office in Doylestown, Pa.

David Zellis, first assistant district attorney, says Allerton partied with four 14-year-olds, a 15-year-old and a 16-year-old. Two of the youngsters were her own son and daughter, he says.

Zellis says Allerton used a fake name and address to rent the room, then bought three cases of beer and one case of rum. He says she picked up the kids from a school dance and went back to the motel with them, where they all boozed it up together.

A few days later, he says, one of the kids revealed the bizarre bash to her mother — who hit the roof and called the cops.

"We have never seen a case like this one," says Zellis. "The shocking part is the age of the kids, whose parents thought they were placing them in the safety and security of this other parent.

"Mrs. Allerton totally violated the trust they placed in her."

WEEKLY WORLD NEWS EXCLUSIVE REPORT

By JOE CRAFT
Crime Reporter

CRIME BLOTTER

BEES HELP GETAWAY: A shoplifter got away with his loot by unleashing a swarm of honeybees that distracted cops and security guards. Sources say guards at a store in Sedalia, Mo., saw the man stealing items and followed him to the bathroom. When they opened the door to confront him, the bees swarmed out — the perfect cover for the thief, who simply took off in the panic and confusion. The thief never was caught.

CROOKS FOIL ROBBERY: Three prison inmates stopped a robbery and caught the two bad guys, impressed cops say! The three men, who are doing time for buying and receiving stolen goods, were on a work-release detail in Decatur, Ala. They say they saw evidence of car break-ins at an auto dealership, and then saw two suspicious men leaving the property. So they chased down the pair and held them for the police, who busted the two men for auto breaking and entering.

VICTIMS HIT 192 TIMES: A couple say they're prisoners in their own home, after being vandalized 192 times in seven years! The couple say they're afraid to leave their house in Cambridgeshire, England, because they need to protect it from burglars and vandals. Jewels worth $13,000 were stolen in the last break-in, and vandals keep smashing windows and dumping trash, junk cars and even human excrement in the couple's yard. The couple blame their

RAP SHEET

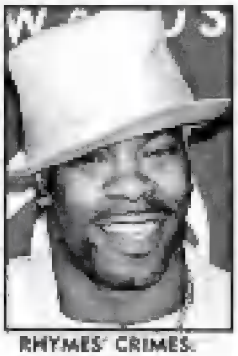
BUSTA BUSTED FOR ASSAULT: Busta Rhymes has been charged with assault — and so has the fan who says he attacked her.

Sources say Rhymes was at a club in Fall River, Mass., when he got onstage and thrilled the crowd with a surprise performance.

The 31-year-old rapper says fan Celina Giguere went looking for some extra thrills, and groped him.

She says Rhymes reacted by shoving her and threatening to kill her "if you touch me again."

Both Rhymes and Giguere have been charged with misdemeanor assault and battery and could do a year in jail if convicted.



RHYMES' CRIMES: Busta Rhymes and a fan are both charged with assault.

FEDS GOING AFTER RECORD LABEL: Published reports say federal agents are trying to build a drug money-laundering case against the Murder Inc. record label, whose stable of stars includes Ja Rule and Ashanti.

But Murder Inc. execs insist their money is completely legitimate, and recently hired auditors to show there's nothing shady going on.

A civil lawsuit, filed in federal court in Brooklyn, charges that convicted drug kingpin Kenneth "Supreme" McGriff — who's now in jail on a gun charge — had drug cash delivered to the set of the Murder Inc. movie Crime Partners.

Murder Inc.'s audit disputes that, sources say.

DOPE OF THE WEEK

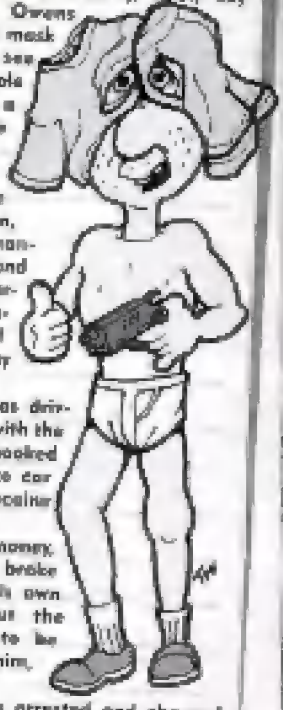
IT WAS one dumb crime after another for a man who allegedly tried to rob two gas stations while wearing a T-shirt and shorts on his head!

Cops in Newberry County, S.C., say Charles Ronald Owens arranged the silly mask so he could see through an armhole of the shirt and a leghole of the shorts.

Owens was laughed out of the first gas station, cops say, but managed to rob a second station — still wearing his goofy disguise — and used the money to buy crack cocaine.

Cops say he was driving through town with the drugs, but got spooked by a passing police car and tossed the cocaine onto the street.

Needing more money, cops say, Owens broke into a house in his own neighborhood. But the owner happened to be home, recognized him, and called police.



Owens, 37, was arrested and charged with armed robbery, attempted armed rob-

TERROR OF THE HAG

If she knocks on your door — for God's sake, don't answer!

By G. A. GUNN
Correspondent

THE HAG is on the loose in the United States.

"And to see her is to die," warns researcher and paranormal investigator John T. Fraunhofer. "This woman has been dealing death to the innocent since the Middle Ages. And she still does today."

Fraunhofer and other experts say The Hag has been in this country for the past six months and they believe that more than 900 sudden deaths can already be attributed to her.

"Why The Hag left her lair in Eastern Europe is a mystery," says Fraunhofer, an American who now makes his home in Amsterdam, Holland.

"She wandered the highways and byways of Romania, Ukraine and Poland for 600 years, killing as she went. How many died at her hands over the centuries? Hundreds of thousands certainly and maybe millions.

"Why did she decide to leave? Perhaps it was the fall of communism and the destruction of the old order. Or it may have been restlessness — the urge to visit greener pastures where there are many more people to kill.

"This is a question that will never be answered. Ere The Hag uttered her reply, the questioner would already be dead."

Legend has it that The Hag was the beautiful, illegitimate daughter of a Polish nobleman, born at her father's castle near Poznan in 1397.

The girl was described as a wild child who spent most of her time in the forests around the castle where she made friends with the birds and the woodland animals. It was said she danced naked with river sprites and used strange herbs to cure the ailments of her father's serfs.

In the Middle Ages such aberrant behavior could not be tolerated and 20 years later, on Christmas Eve 1417, she was burned as a witch by the Bishop of Lodz in the central square of that ancient city.

But before the flames consumed her, the girl screamed to the gawking crowd that her spirit would rise from the ashes of her funeral pyre to wreak revenge on all humanity.

"And with the rancid smoke that drifted up from the stake rose the terrifying entity we call The Hag," Fraunhofer says.

For the next six centuries, The Hag terrorized Eastern Europe, leaving the pale dead in her wake.

"She will knock on your door at any time of the night, and when you answer, she will just stare at you with her strange gray eyes, saying nothing," Fraunhofer says. "Your death will be immediate."

In every case, the victim's heart simply stopped beating, the researcher says, and their eyes were burned right out of their head.

"God help us all, I have traced The Hag to this country," Fraunhofer says. "She is here, now, on the prowl.

"I beg you, all of you, if you hear a knock at your door in the darkest hour of the night, don't answer it.

"The Hag could be standing on your doorstep waiting."

MODERN MEDUSA: The mysterious Hag has left a trail of death all over Europe — and now she's here in America!

Dear Dotti

AMERICA'S MOST OUTSPOKEN ADVICE COLUMNIST

Somebody's watching me have office sex!

Dear Dotti: My boyfriend, Marvin, loves it when I visit him during lunch hour for hot risky sex in his office. I really enjoy it too, but lately I've begun to feel that we're not alone. I've heard heavy breathing on an intercom and footsteps outside the door. Once, I even noticed a tiny digital computer camera had been left on. I believe we have a Peeping Tom — and I suspect it's my man's boss!

Every time I ask Marv about this he changes the subject. What do you think, Dotti? Am I in tune with my intuition or just paranoid? — Working Girl in Everett

Dear Working Girl: Sounds to me like you're dating the office pervert, and you're too dumb to realize it.

I'm a great-looking guy — why aren't I more popular and successful?

Dear Dotti: I look like one of those Hollywood movie stars. In fact, I bet I could be a male model if I wanted to. My mom always tells me I'm very handsome. The one thing I don't understand is this: Since I'm so great-looking, why don't I get more girls? And why don't I make as much money as those hotshot celebrities?

— DiCaprio Clone in Savannah

Dear DiCaprio Clone: I don't know why you're not a superstar. Maybe it's because you're a whining mama's boy. That might have something to do with it.

Bad kids should be punished by their parents — or by me!

Dear Dotti: I absolutely cannot stomach wimpy parents who let their small children run around out of control. Recently, I saw a little boy in a candy store throw a big tantrum. He kicked and screamed and threw sweets while his mother stood by and meekly waited for it to subside. I would never let my own kids get away with this behavior. I feel like I should've gone over there and given that brat a good whupping. What do you think? Should I have put them in their place?

— Punisher in Kansas

Dear Punisher: Keep your hands to yourself, unless you want to be charged with assault. Let those bad parents handle their own little monsters.

My wife is a sun worshiper — and her skin looks like leather!

Dear Dotti: My wife loves tanning. That's all she does, all day long. She just sits out in the sun, letting her skin get all brown and leathery. She's only 28, but she looks twice that age. She pours on tons of tanning oil, and never uses any sunblock. How can I convince her this is unhealthy?

— Worried in Los Angeles

Dear Worried: Tell her she's going to look like a prune when she's 40. Maybe she could use all that free time on her hands. She needs to find a healthier hobby. Maybe she could take up drinking and smoking.

He says: Computers will destroy us all!

Dear Dotti: I won't stand by and let computers take over the world! That day is coming! We are far too dependent on them. As we begin to think less and program them to think more, I wouldn't be surprised if, next election, a computer even ran for office and won. Please help me stop this mechanized madness from spreading, before it's too late.

— Unplugged in Hot Springs

Dear Unplugged: You've really got a loose wire if you think a computer can run for office. I don't believe the most powerful computer on earth is smart enough to lie, cheat and steal on the same complex level of a politician.

Do aliens live in motel rooms?

Dear Dotti: My husband disappeared for an entire week and just came home tonight. He told me that while he was on his way home from work, aliens abducted him and did all sorts of experiments on his body. I was wondering — do aliens ever stay at the Sleepy Inn Motel? I found a hotel receipt from there in his pocket and he said that the aliens probably put it there. Am I being duped, Dotti? — Doris in Lubbock

Dear Doris: No. It's perfectly normal for aliens to rent fleabag motel rooms in the middle of nowhere. By the way, that wasn't

CONFIDENTIALS

Dear Burned in Toronto: Obviously where there's smoke — she's cooking.

Dear Cheave in North Hollywood: Stop drooling over my picture and get back to work. I'm not flattered!

Dear Sinner in Salt Lake: Take it from Oscar Wilde, babe: All of us are in the gutter, but some of us are looking at the stars.

Dear Duped in Juno: Dating her is like eating at a buffet — there's a lot to go around and everybody helps themselves.

Dear Love is Blind: Why don't you build a bridge to go with that troll?!

Dear Bamboozled in Concord: Don't give him the time of day — just steal his watch.

WRITE TO DOTTI PRIMROSE

Send Dotti your letters and questions — and let her tell it like it is. Write to Dear

WRAP HER UP!

Swimsuit model Erin Duke says one of her favorite activities is gift-wrapping. If she could wrap herself up in a bow, she'd make a great

THE AMAZING, INCREDIBLE...
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THE WORLD is full of FREAKS, GEEKS and WEIRDOS, but we are proud to present four eye-popping pages of the freakiest, geekiest and just plain weirdest folks who ever lived.

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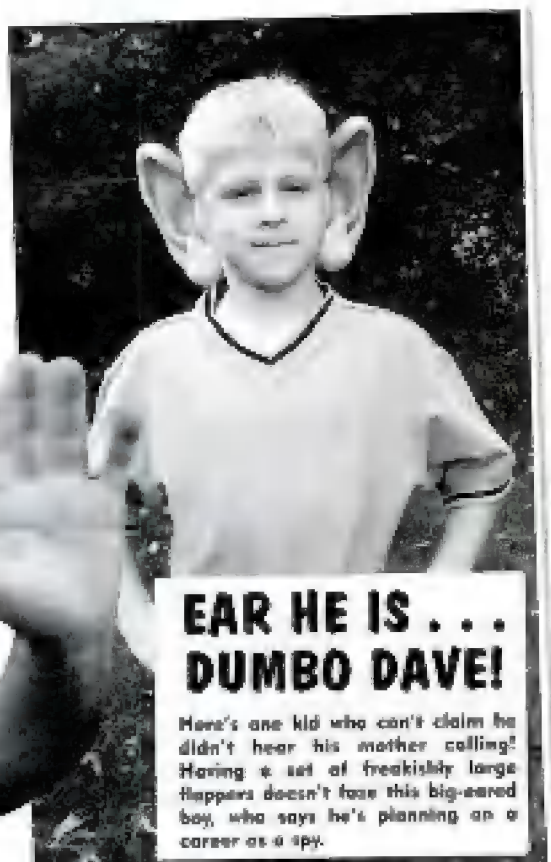
From One-Breast Wanda to Fat Freda, they're all here . . . in a spine-tingling photo album that will thrill you, chill you — and maybe gross you out!

MEN ARE PIGS — THIS ONE IS, ANYWAY!

They call him the Pig Man, and not because of his table manners. Jim "Porky" Brentlock bears an uncanny resemblance to a real-life pig, from his flappy ears and flattened snout to the cute little curly tail on his behind. Jim hates having his picture taken, as you can see — and when our photographer unknowingly trespassed on his property, he squealed on us to the cops!



EAR HE IS . . . DUMBO DAVE!

Here's one kid who can't claim he didn't hear his mother calling! Having a set of freakishly large flappers doesn't faze this big-eared boy, who says he's planning on a career as a spy.

MAKING A CLEAN BREAST OF IT

Meet One-Breast Wanda, who must be saving a fortune on bras and bikini tops — she buys one top but gets two! You may think she's a hoot, but this one-boobed babe tells us there are definite advantages to this condition: "I get a much more even tan this way, and if a guy gets fresh it's much easier to slap his hand off one breast than off two!"

WASP WAIST

No middle-aged spread here: This gal's waist measures a miniscule 15 inches around! She's Cathie Jung, holder of the record for the world's smallest waist. Cathie's wearing an antique corset that everyday women used to wear. Ladies, aren't you glad this tight number's been retired?

JUNGLE JACK

With all the competition crowding the streets in India, beggars have to choose something that sets them apart. This guy ought to think about renting himself out as a table — what a conversation piece! Notice his feet sticking out from either side of his butt. Who needs coasters?

HEY, IT'S TINY TIM!

Or maybe he just looks tiny next to this mammoth gal! The little guy is the world's shortest man, Gul Mohammed, and he's really dwarfed by this big momma. Try a climb like this one and you'd better bring some rope!

FAT FREDA

If she's not the world's fattest woman, she comes pretty close! But 550-pound Freda really makes her weight work for her: She rents out her dresses as parachutes for a local skydiving school, and is a tester for a company that makes earthquake-measuring devices. Freda's friends tell us she's a great gal with a big heart — good thing, because it's got a lot of work to do!

CAT'S IN THE CRADLE!

This baby's purr-fectly adorable, isn't she? And her parents are saving a fortune in diapers: Little Kitty Sue just uses the litter box. With those teeth of hers, though, her mom's not going to be breast-feeding for much longer!

NAILING IT!

The long, ugly things hanging off this guy's left hand are — we swear — his fingernails! They belong to Shridhar Chillal of India, who stopped cutting them in 1952 and made it into the *Guinness Book of Records* for world's longest fingernails: A disgusting 48 inches long. Show this to the next person who tells you not to bite your nails.

HE'S TAT-TOO MUCH!

Angelo Florano shows off the colorful tattoos covering his entire body. The 65-year-old Italian says his full-body tattoos and body piercings give him inner peace. We hope he really is happy on the inside, because on the outside he's gone absolutely wild.

RING ME SOMETIME

These guys don't have a hole in the head — they've got hundreds! At left is Luis Antonio Aguero of Cuba, who's filled his face and head with more than 300 holes for earrings and other body piercings. At right is a guy they call Prince Albert, but he's not in any royal family we've ever heard of. His Holey-ness has 350 bits of metal pierced into his face. He's 71 in this photo — old enough to know better.

The Psychic Sabak Sisters

AMERICA'S SEXIEST SEERS

Let Serena and Sonya help you! Write: Sabaks, Weekly World News, P.O. Box 3036, Boca Raton, Fla. 33431-0936. We'll forward your letters to them. Don't send money. Their advice is free.

My daughter is pregnant by her invisible friend!

Dear Sonya: My 16-year-old daughter, Anna, is extremely shy and has never dated anyone. But last week she told us she's pregnant — and she insists the father is "Beebo," who I remember as the invisible friend she had when she was 4! Could this be true? — Confused in Akron

Dear Confused: Sorry, hon, but it's true — the spirit of a teenaged boy is standing next to Anna in the picture you sent me. I was able to reach Beebo and he tells me he never left Anna. His love for her was so powerful, he was able to take mortal form long enough to have physical relations. But don't panic: Beebo assures he'll always watch over and protect his child. For starters, he's been trying to get Anna to give their child a better life by arranging for adoption. I've cast a spell of guidance to help him convince her.

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Dear Serena: There's something about the ocean that's deeply satisfying to me. I vacation there at least twice a year, collect anything ocean-related and even dream about the sea. Can you explain why I feel this way? My family thinks I'm nuts. — Sea Gal in Wisconsin

Dear Sea Gal: You're not nuts at all. According to my crystal ball, the ocean has been extremely important to your well-being in nearly all of your past lives. For example, you were a fisherman in ancient Babylonia, a whaler in 19th century New England and even a porpoise! So enjoy your time by the sea — it's very therapeutic for you.

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Dear Sonya: For several months, I've had frequent stomachaches and I feel tired all the time. My doctor says I'm just a hypochondriac, but I know something's wrong. Please help me. — Always Hurting in Montana

Dear Always Hurting: You're not a hypochondriac, hon. I channeled your guardian angel and he confirmed that you have some serious health problems. He's been doing his best to protect you, but you really need to see a stomach specialist right away. I'll cloak you with healing white light until you can make an appointment. Don't delay.

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Dear Serena: My son will be graduating from high school soon and wants to go to college. I told him I'd pay his tuition, but work has been slow lately and I just don't have the money. Can you use your powers to help me raise some cash? — Proud Mom in Arkadelphia

Dear Proud Mom: I'm happy to help. The tarot cards show that your luck will be at its peak between the 12th and the 16th for the next three months. Play the lottery during those dates and extra money will come your way. Your son should also pitch in, though — suggest he get a part-time job to help pay for his tuition. It will do him good.

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Dear Sonya: My wife of 45 years died recently, and I've never felt so lonely. She was everything to me, and now she's gone. I'm seriously thinking of joining her in Heaven. Would you please tell her I'll be there soon? — All Alone in Kansas City

Dear All Alone: No, I won't — because it is not your time to go. I had a long talk with your wife via my Ouija board, and she sends her heartfelt love. She knows you're lonely, but says there's bright light ahead. In the next month you will meet a woman who will make you extremely happy. Join her with your wife's blessings. Your wife will be happy to see you truly living again.

PERSONAL TO:

Spooked in Texas: According to my crystal ball, those voices you're hearing aren't ghosts, they're your next-door neighbors. I suggest you move to an apartment with thicker walls.

Songbird in Cambridge: Sorry, dude, but I just don't see you making it big as a singer. Management is more your field.

Just Wondering in Plattsburg: Serena feels a little better every day, though personally I don't think she's pushing herself as hard as she could. Anyway, I'll pass along your good wishes.

Gotta Have Her in Cleveland: According to the tarot cards, that girl in the next cubicle wants you as badly as you want her — so go for it!

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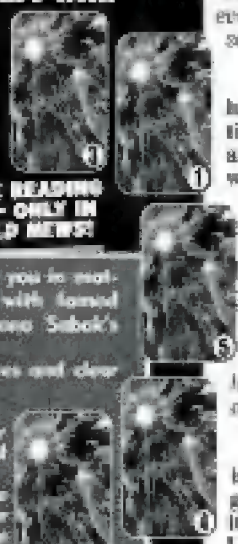

Learn what the future holds for you in matters of health, money and love with famed Weekly World News psychic Serena Sabak's magic tarot cards. Here's how:

1. Get comfortable, close your eyes and clear your mind.
2. Open your eyes and pick a card.
3. Turn to Page 35 and find your fortune under the number of the card you picked.

Says Serena: "Your reading will give you an impressive sneak peek of your future — and reveal to you the shape of things to come."

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ORIENT 234567

What's your secret message from the Fortune Cookie this week? It's easy and fun to decipher. Here's the key to decoding your message:

If the number of letters in your first name is 5 or less, subtract that number from 7. If there are more than 5 letters in your first name, subtract the total from 13.

Now take the result and find your key letter in the word ORIENT above. Then, starting at the upper left-hand corner of the box at left, check each one of your key letters as it appears from left to right. The letters below each of your letters spell out a secret message.

This week's six luckiest lotto numbers picked by the Weekly World News Super Computer: 21 26 32 40 43 51

Weekly World News exclusive: The WORLD'S BIGGEST CROSSWORD!

ACROSS

1 Prepared athletically
7 Short pleasure trip
12 Top-notch (Sl)
17 Round Table knight
23 Showery month
24 Refer to
25 Face part
27 Hint at (2 wds)
28 African antelope
29 Estimate for taxes
30 Actor Marlon
31 Greek letter
33 Have a drink
35 Pass by
36 Attribute, accredit
37 Frank, outspoken
38 Dozed
41 Purple flower
43 Slangy no!
45 " — land is my land"
46 Doomed one (Sl)
47 Make joyful
50 Ms. Miranda
52 Addictive drug
54 Uncertain feeling
56 Lily pad place
58 Toward shelter
59 "Beware the — of March"
60 Large brass instrument
61 Watched closely
64 Roast host
66 Mexican dip
69 Variable stars
71 Goes with love and cherish
72 Eve's third son
74 Blanched
76 Gathers crops
77 Baseball's Abner
78 Terminated
79 Crack open
80 Acquire knowledge
81 Slogan
84 Nothing
85 — Aviv
86 Free for all
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90 City section
91 Small pies
92 Ratin' 'to go (2 wds)
94 Drying kiln
95 Sunglasses (Sl)
96 Gave wages to
99 Mischievous trick
100 Mistakes
104 Challenged
106 Perched
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111 Fix in concrete (Var)
113 Shampoo step
114 Sib. for one (Abbr)
116 Frog's cousin
118 Non-professional
120 Overlook
121 Aviation prefix
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126 Partner for fem.
127 Colorado town
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140 Overdue
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147 Smallest of a litter
148 Tractor trailer
149 Actor Day-Lewis
150 Notion
151 Leapt up
154 House of Congress
157 Against
158 Negative responses
159 Chairs
162 Measuring stick
163 Army head (Abbr)
164 Comic Milton
167 Ms. DeGeneres
169 Dilapidated (Hyph)
171 Hemorrhaged
173 Green fruit
176 Mineral salt
179 Seasoning plant
180 Respect, reverence
183 Minute
185 Sneak attack
188 Kitchen items
190 Archer and Bancroft
191 Parts for actors
192 A life story, for short
193 Car club inits.
195 Baseball's PeeWee
196 Brainy group
197 The squeaky one gets the grease
198 Express gratitude
200 Subway item
202 Indian currency
205 Game tally
207 Clumsy ones
208 Regulations
209 Remove the rind from
210 Comic Murphy
212 Actress O'Neal
213 Arab prince
215 Confederate, colleague
216 Pull hard
217 Author Ferber
219 Italian coins
221 Singer Van Shelton
223 Of immediate concern
225 Tatters
227 Time share dwelling
229 Musical composition
231 Kill
232 Take five
234 Skin suffix
236 Draw a conclusion
237 Wailed
239 Actor O'Connor
241 Add oxygen
244 Native American group
245 Prejudiced
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253 Distress signal
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255 Imply, insinuate
256 Pimpled
257 Pearl creators
258 Soap star Anthony
259 Puts on clothes
260 Grain alcohol

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2 Wanderer
3 Court petition
4 Mr. Gershwin
5 Cairo's river
6 Israeli airline
7 Actress Tandy
8 Weapon caches
9 Colorado Indian
10 Space org.
11 Sneeze catcher
12 Small stone
13 Unusual
14 Call — — day
15 Snack craving (Sl)
16 Decrees
18 " — — want for Christmas..."
19 Heavy metal
20 Money machine
21 Rub elbows
22 Musical tempo
24 One of the three bears
26 Eternities
28 Three, to a Roman
32 Zoo attraction
33 Shine part
34 Innocent
39 Of incredible value
40 Mr. Eisenhower
42 Crazy scheme
44 Tire pattern
45 At present
46 Watchman
48 Big book
49 Set up tents
51 Summer fruit
53 Opponent
54 Paul Hogan flick: "Crocodile — "
55 Double reed instrument
62 Connecticut university
63 " — of a Salesman"
65 Halt legally
67 Businessman's garb
68 In flames
69 Cleared, as profit
70 Lyric poems
71 Friendly greeting
72 Lance
73 Pinball word
75 Fear greatly
79 Get up
82 Airline inits.
83 In reserve (2 wds)
85 Sends by post
87 Days of —
90 Expiration date words
93 Sea birds
96 Every 24 hours
97 Columnist Bombeck
101 Ascend
102 Marsh grasses
103 Removing
105 Teach by example
106 Put an end to
107 Open air dryer
109 Tart tasting
110 Periodicals
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113 Coarse file
114 Fixing
115 Actor Stoltz
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120 Prison releases
121 Reverence
123 Actress Linda
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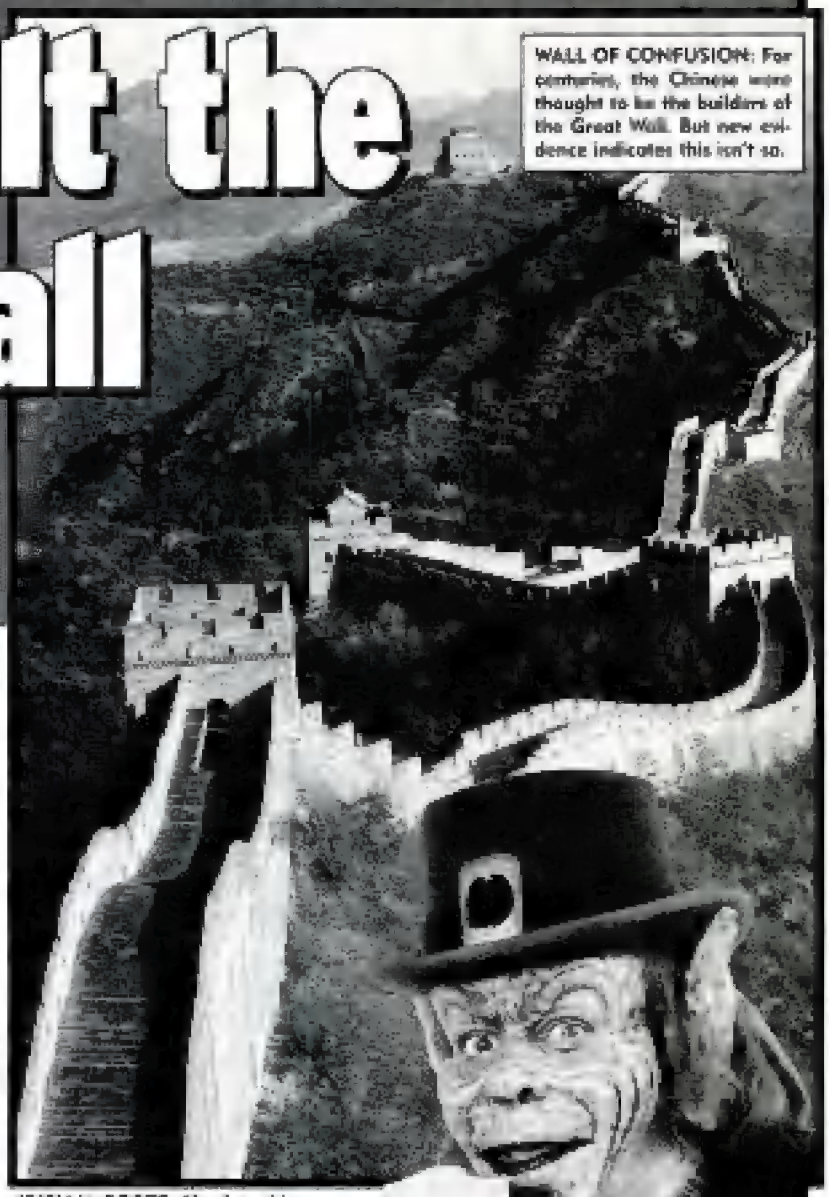

WALL OF CONFUSION: For centuries, the Chinese were thought to be the builders of the Great Wall. But new evidence indicates this isn't so.

By JUSTIN MITCHELL/In Beijing

THE Irish built the Great Wall of China.

Husky laborers from the Emerald Isle were recruited by the Chinese to build their wall — because native workers couldn't lift the huge rocks used to build the 4,500-mile-long barrier.

Archaeologists from the University of Beijing and the Dublin Institute of Celtic Studies discovered ancient Celtic graffiti written by an Irishman on a 2,000-year-old stretch of wall during an excavation of the wall's foundation near the city of Lanzhou.

One message, scratched on the wall with a piece of pottery, says: "Seamus O'Riley is a lazy good for nothing bum." And another reads: "I want good Irish whiskey, not the muck these heathens call wine."

Dublin archaeologist Dr. Patrick Murphy says evidence shows that around 200 B.C., Emperor Qin Shi Huang imported Irishmen in great numbers after his own subjects failed to heft the mighty stones needed to construct the wall, which was built to repel foreign invaders.

"The Chinese just didn't have what it takes to physically quarry and stack stones of that size," Dr. Murphy says.

"Emperor Qin had been told by journeying monks of an island in the West where the inhabitants erected a flotilla of junks to Ireland, or Hibernia as it was then known, to enlist the natives as stone cutters and wall builders for his kingdom."

Dr. Murphy says the Irish laborers, while promised their weight in gold and all the booze they could drink, found instead that they'd been Shanghaied to work "like dogs" as virtual slaves, while subsisting on meager rations of weak plum wine and rice eaten "with two sticks instead of the two hands God gave us," according to another graffiti.

"In addition to the graffiti complaining about the living conditions, we've found conclusive evidence of Irish occupation on many levels," Dr. Murphy says.

The newly discovered evidence includes:

- Scattered tribes of tall, brawny, red-haired, step-dancing Chinese who often use Gaelic obscenities and phrases mixed with their traditional dialects, indicating intermarriage between the Irish and their Asiatic masters.
- Evidence of Irish-style harps and bagpipes found in ancient, excavated settlements along the Great Wall, and references to leprechauns.
- "Chinese" recipes for corned beef and cabbage that have been passed along with traditional fare such egg rolls and mu-shu pork for

IRISH IMPORTS: Hard-working, beer-chugging Irishmen like this leprechaun were brought in to do the heavy lifting at the wall.

reports Dr. Murphy. "But the beef is boiled in soy sauce and doesn't exactly translate to my Irish tastes.

"Still, I have no doubt where it originated. People talk about 'the luck of the Irish' but with the wall still here and the Irish workers lost to the centuries, it's the

TUSH! TUSH!

Artists create masterpieces from elephant poo!

THIS PAINTING really stinks — it's created with elephant dung! That artist Boonthoung Ridthikert, right, is helping a student paint with colored poop, which he likes to use because it "sticks easily on the paper and has a nice texture." We wonder if anyone — sorry about this — is really buying this crap.

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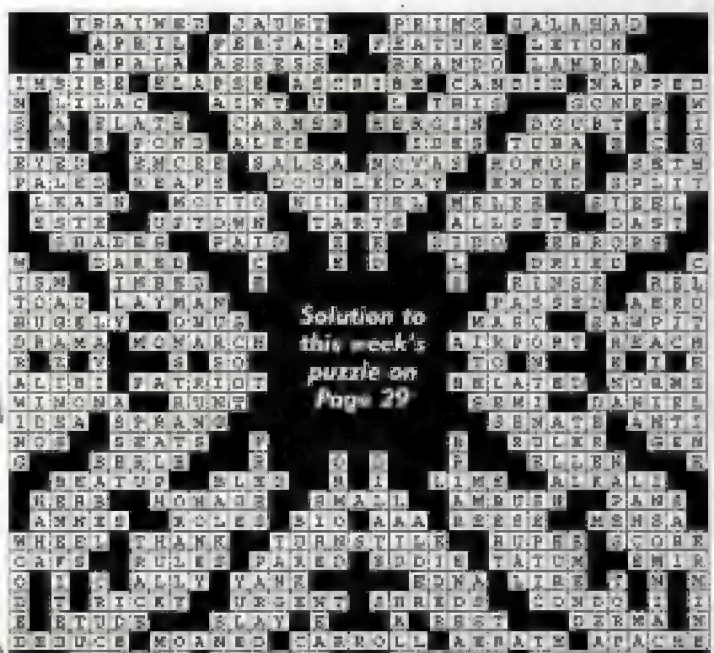
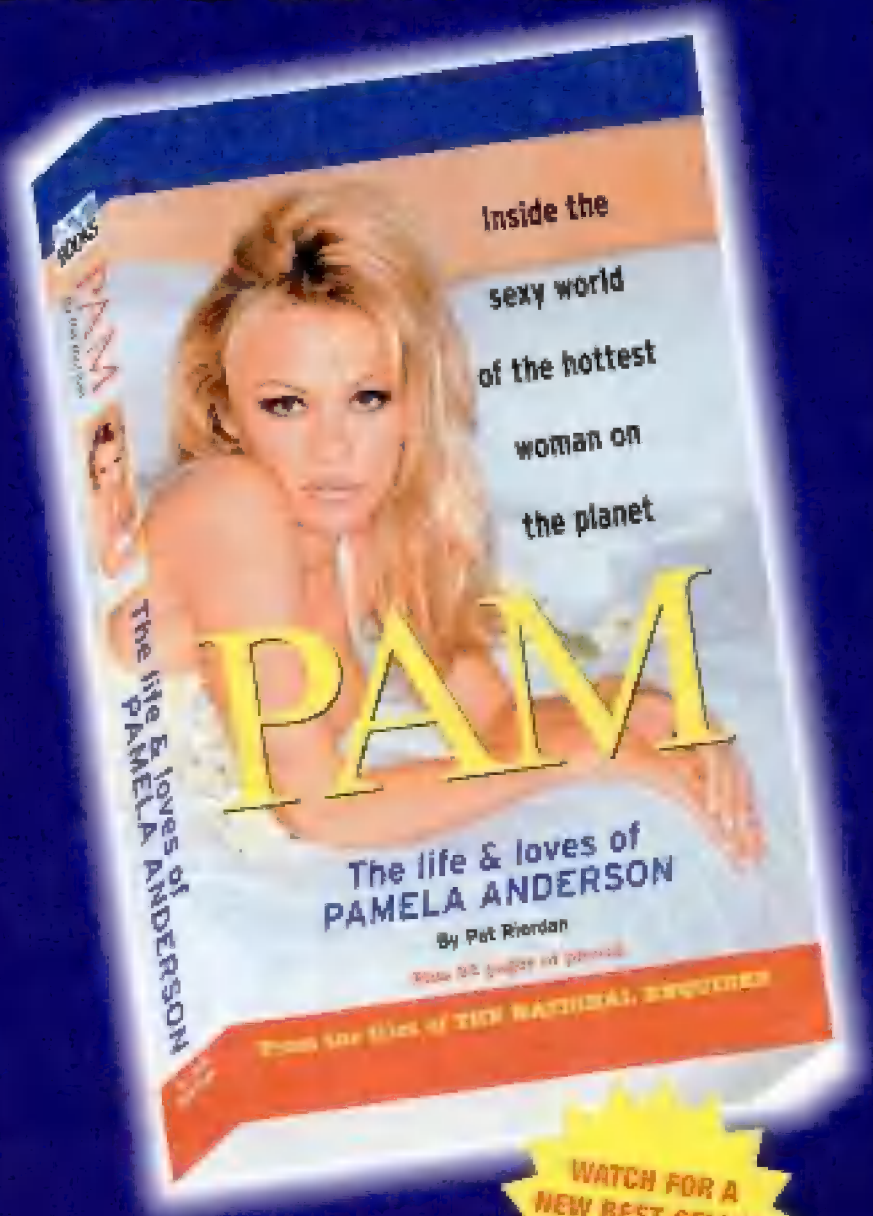


Solution to this week's puzzle on Page 29

...SEX, SIZE & VIDEOTAPE...

As a young girl from British Columbia, Pamela Anderson grew up to become the bounciest babe on the Baywatch beach and redefined the concept of the blonde bombshell for the 21st century. But her fame and fortune has come with a price – drastic plastic surgeries, a shocking love life, domestic violence in her marriage to Motley Crue's drummer Tommy Lee, their infamous XXX rated home video, a vicious divorce, and a nasty battle for the custody of their two young sons. An unnatural beauty and born survivor, *Pam: Inside The Sexy World Of The Hottest Woman On The Planet* reveals there's far more strength and sorrow to this sizzling superstar than just what meets the eye.



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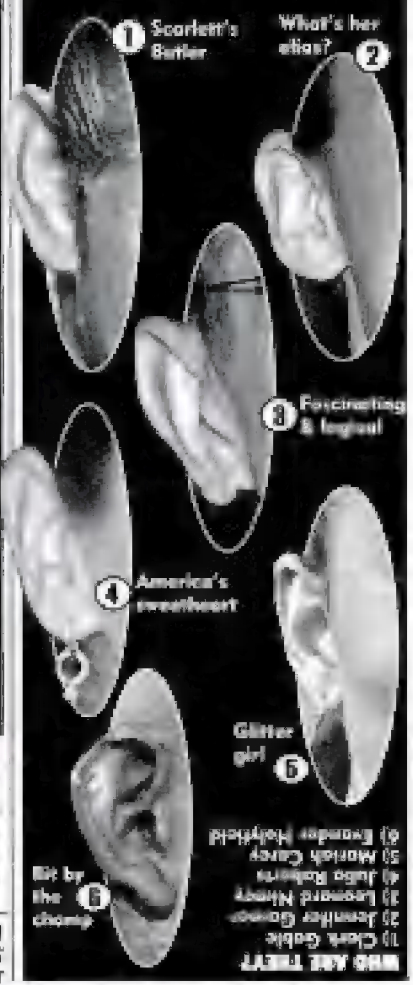
They sang about macho men and life in the Navy and the camaraderie of staying at the YMCA, and after one look at their campy costumes you knew the Village People weren't playing it straight. Formed in 1978 by French disco producer Jacques Morali, the group ruled the disco scene of the late 1970s. Their three albums sold millions on the strength of the chart toppers "Macho Man," "In the Navy" and their signature tune, "YMCA." The group still tours today, in various forms. Shown here is the 1993 version. Standing, from left: Jeff Olson (Cowboy), David Hodo (Construction Worker), Victor Willis (Cop), Glen Hughes (Leatherman) and Alex Briley (Military Man). Kneeling in front is Felipe Rose (Indian Chief).

Jeff Olson owns a sports bar in Los Angeles. David Hodo is 46. Victor Willis, 51, was the first husband of Cathy Shaw co-star Patricia Richard. Glen Hughes died of lung cancer in March 2001, at age 50. He was buried in his Leathermen costume. Alex Briley is 52. Felipe Rose is 48.

ALL EARS!

Below are close-ups of some famous people who have one thing in common: They're good listeners. Can you identify these celebrities by their ears?



WHO ARE THEY?
1) Clark Gable
2) Jennifer Grey
3) Leonard Nimoy
4) Julia Roberts
5) Mariah Carey
6) Brandon Hatfield

YOUR TAROT FORTUNE REVEALED! (From Page 27)

Card No. 3: Knight of Cups
A WELCOME OFFER

Love: It's time to re-evaluate your relationship and take an honest look at where it's headed. If your mate wants to move on, don't be too quick to object.

Money: If more money has been going out than is coming in, don't despair. An opportunity to take a better-paying job or move to a more-affordable home may soon arise, which will be good financial news.

Health: Positive information is on its way to you, either as good test results or as an effective treatment for what ails you. Accept it with relief.

Card No. 5: Queen of Wands
CREATIVE WOMAN

Love: You're not alone, though you may be feeling lonely. Someone will soon tempt you to let your guard down. Don't be afraid, for your guardian angel will soon be there to protect you.

Money: You've worked hard to achieve your goals, but one more burst of energy is needed. A friend may have the answers you've been seeking.

Health: Your condition could be improved by someone, probably female, who is not stubbornly tied to old ways but still respects them. Her advice and guidance could be just what you need.

Card No. 1: Ace of Cups
NEW BEGINNING

Love: Whether you're single or committed, your romantic life may seem to be going nowhere right now. Hang in there — it'll change in about a month.

Money: You'll soon receive a chance at a new source of income, doing something that you enjoy. Don't hesitate to spend some of it on yourself, as a reward.

Health: A change in your health-insurance plan could come in the next few months. Take care of any conditions you've been neglecting, and get it done as soon as possible.

Card No. 2: Lovers
TOUGH CHOICE

Love: You are faced with a difficult choice regarding a lover or close family member. Follow your heart rather than your head, and be open to all possibilities.

Money: Should you take the job with the big paycheck or the position that offers other kinds of happiness? Your decision will be easier to make when you seek a close friend's advice.

Health: If you think you have to choose between familiar discomfort and a cure with unpleasant side effects, think again. Keep looking for other answers; there are many more.

Card No. 4: Hierophant
KIND MAN

Love: Women, a gentle stranger will soon enter your life with many answers to the questions you've been wrestling with. Men, the way to win your sweetheart is to show your softer side.

Money: The value of your work is not always measured in dollars and cents. As long as you care about other people and show it, your financial goals will be met.

Health: Don't worry about every little ache and pain, but don't ignore something you know isn't normal for you. Rather than fretting, consult a doctor and follow the advice you get.

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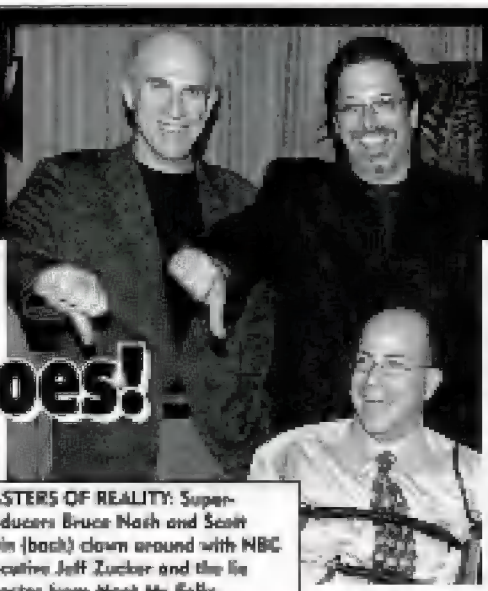
REALITY BITES!

By Barry Dutter, veteran reality TV contestant on such shows as *The Weakest Link* and *To Tell The Truth*.



MASTERS OF REALITY: Super-producers Bruce Nash and Scott Satin (back) clown around with NBC executive Jeff Zucker and the lie detector from *Meet My Folks*.

You name it, they probably created it...

Meet TV's real superheroes!

WOULD you let your family plan a $5,000 wedding for you and your beloved — if they only had a week to do it? Would you choose true love over a million dollars? Have you ever been caught on tape doing something really stupid?

These are the type of questions Scott Satin and Bruce Nash want to know the answers to. Satin and Nash are the kings of the reality TV world. They have six unscripted shows currently on the air and a bunch more in the works.

If you've watched any prime-time TV this summer, chances are you've seen some of their work: *For Better or For Worse* on TLC; *For Love or Money* on NBC; *Stupid Behavior Caught on Tape* no (what else?) FOX.

Nash and Satin are the dynamic duo who brought *Meet My Folks* to TV, and are following it up this summer with *Who Wants To Marry My Dad?*

Weekly World News readers may know of their work from the TV special, *Conspiracy Theory: Did We Land on the Moon?* (Their conclusion? In all likelihood, man never did walk on the moon!)

But their most outrageous shows are yet to come. Check out these titles for some of their upcoming fare: *Around The World In 80 Dates* and *Who Wants To Be a Superhero?* That last one sounds particularly intriguing. If I could be a superhero, I'd like to have the power to be a contestant on every TV reality show. They could call me Reality Man!

REALITY TV'S BIGGEST CHEAP$KATE$!

IT'S GREAT to go on shows like *Survivor* or *Who Wants To Be A Millionaire*, where the winner can walk off with a cool million bucks.

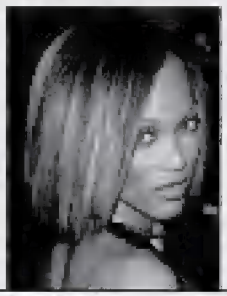
But some of the newer shows aren't so generous. Here are some of the shows with the chintziest prizes:

On *Dog Eat Dog*, the winner gets a measly $25,000.

Fear Factor winners collect a paltry $50,000.

The winning contestant in *Meet My Folks* gets a "fantasy vacation" with a hot babe, but no cash.

The winner on *Fame* gets .... well, some fame, and no guarantee of anything else, apparently.



TYRA BANKS hosts reality TV newcomer *America's Next Top Model*. The winner isn't guaranteed much, but you do get to hobnob with this hot celeb.

The producers of *America's Next Top Model* are very careful to promise the winner "an opportunity to win a Revlon modeling contract" — but don't guarantee she'll actually get the contract. But she is guaranteed an appearance in *Marie Claire* magazine.

Contestants on *Paradise Hotel* get no money, but they do get an all-expense paid vacation at a tropical resort.

The winner on *Last Comic Standing* gets a deal for a sitcom on NBC. Considering NBC hasn't launched a hit sitcom since *Will & Grace* in 1998, that's not much.

HIP HOST OF THE WEEK

Brooke Burns

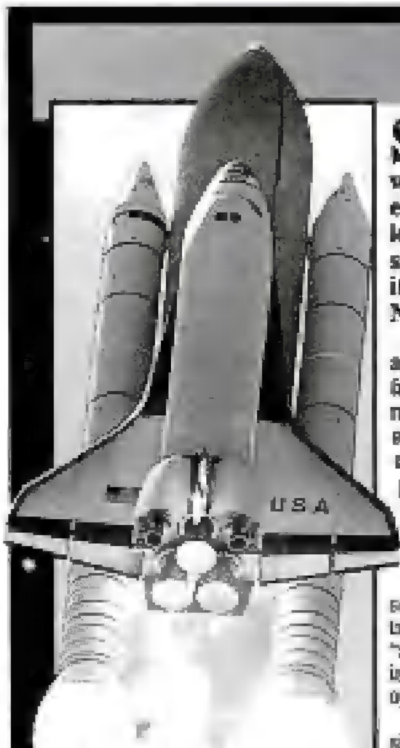
HOSTESS WITH THE MOSTEST: Sexy Brooke Burns has America wagging its collective tail for NBC's *Dog Eat Dog*.

BORN in Dallas, Texas, in 1977, Brooke Burns, host of NBC's *Dog Eat Dog*, has some previous reality TV experience. She was a panelist on *To Tell The Truth* in 2001-02. Sadly, she did not appear on the episode featuring yours truly! No, I got stuck with Paula Poundstone! Ugh! Who let that dog out of the pound?

The beautiful Miss Burns also has an impressive body of work as an actress: She played "Jessica Owens" in the final two seasons of *Baywatch*, and she was the fantasy girl "Jennifer" on the popular series *Ally McBeal*.

She hung up her *Baywatch* swimsuit in 2000 when she had her daughter, Madison, with her hubby, Aussie actor Julian Nicholson. Bubbly Miss Burns also appeared in the movie *Shallow Hal*.

AT LAST IT CAN BE TOLD . . .



MISSION OUT OF CONTROL: The space shuttle *Columbia* blasted off Jan. 16, 2003, and never returned.

Space aliens in dozens of secret locations around the world risked exposure while expressing heartfelt condolences for the loss of the U.S. space shuttle *Columbia* and its seven crew members, NASA sources have revealed.

Just hours after Columbia broke apart over Texas as it was returning from a 16-day scientific research mission, killing all seven astronauts aboard, NASA reportedly began receiving "sympathetic and supportive messages" from sources claiming to represent extraterrestrial civilizations with bases and colonies on Earth.

In all but two instances, the messages were scrambled, coded — and transmitted via the sophisticated "shifting frequencies" technique that is often used by intelligence agents operating behind enemy lines.

Those techniques, which require a sizeable investment in gear and special training to operate, all but rule out the possibility that the transmissions were a hoax, says a NASA source.

"The fact that extraterrestrial intelligences would risk blowing their covers is surprising enough," the source says.

"But what really hit us was the very genuine and heartfelt sorrow in the messages," he says. "And in some cases we also got offers of technological assistance — to be carried out under a shroud of secrecy, of course — to help us find out what went wrong.

"One message was clumsily worded but came straight from the heart: 'Your space program is younger, and accidents cannot be avoided. Your procedures are not wrong, they are good, and we understand you're sad.'"

Another transmission offered "sincerest and deepest sympathies for your crew and their loved ones."

It then instructed NASA to place a small ad in a Spartanburg, S.C., newspaper if the space agency "desired technical assistance" with the Columbia investigation.

Officials from both NASA and the Office of Homeland Security are refusing to comment officially, but portions of the transmissions are being leaked by space agency sources and other highly placed Washington insiders.

Here are partial transcripts of several messages:

- "Your country must be proud of the brave astronauts and scientists who are leading you into a new era of enlightenment, peace and technological advancement."
- "A first magnitude tragedy can never be forgotten, nor can it be allowed to negate the progress you have made."
- "People of America. People of Earth. Your primitive words cannot express the depth of our feelings. Mankind has suffered enough. We call upon the Lords of Creation to minister to the needs of the lesser beings. Humans must be given the knowledge to lift themselves up into the realms of happiness, where pain is a memory — and life knows not the sting of cold death."
- "May the wings of our prayers be with you as you endeavor to grow strong in your tragedy and sorrow. We as brothers and sisters offer our sympathies and our help. Should you need us, think it — and so it shall be done."
- "We express our condolences in connection with these tragic events. We have seen these tragedies many times ourselves. We have lost many of our own people. We stand with you in grief and in strength to face and conquer the trials you face today, and those which are to come."

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IL. 202-032 Asian 58, 5'2", 130 lbs., caring. ISO White male, any age, generous, financially secure, nice guy for lifetime partner. Relocatable, no inmates. Photo/phone please.

FL. 202-033 Attractive widow, late 60s, 5'4", 135 lbs., trim, active, youthful. Enjoy warm climate, holding hands, loving, caring, congenial. Looking for LTR, gentleman with class. Relocatable. Photo.

WY. 202-035 Widow, young 70s, attractive, blonde, 5'3". Seeking romantic, marriage-minded teddy-bear, Christian gentleman. Loves animals, country living, good cooking, give me some country lead-song.

TN. 202-034 Blonde widow would like to meet a nice gentleman, should be over 65 years of age. I am 5'4½", weigh 115 lbs.

SC. 202-036 Are you a lonely WM between the ages 55-70 searching for a lady who will bring you everlasting happiness? Then you want to respond to this petite WF, nice-looking, caring, loving, 66 years young. You should be willing to relocate. No inmates please. Phone/photo please.

AZ. 202-037 SWF, active 60s, tall, slim, brunette, brown eyes. Loves western dress/decor, outside, horses. Seeking SWM 60s, outdoors/ranch, financially secure. Let's correspond, first photo.

TN. 202-038 ISO active, affectionate, TLC, secure, non-drinking gentleman, 62-80 for committed relationship. Nationality unimportant, multilingual, warm-hearted counterpart, varied interests. Letter/photo please. No games.

NC. 202-039 Christian WWF, average build, 56, attractive, affectionate, retiring teacher. Enjoys music, nature, travel, classic films, desires Christian mate, similar interests. Age/looks unimportant.

TX. 202-040 Attractive Oriental widow, petite, female, royal. Seeking White/Asian gentleman, 50-70, non-smoker/drinker. Texas a plus.

WV. 202-041 SWF, 55, average-looking, modest, healthy, loving, lenient, many interests, fun. ISO same in SBM 50-60 for LTR/marriage. No games, alcoholics, drugs. Photo please.

CT. 202-042 SWF 55, 5'3", 125 lbs., attractive, intelligent, good personality, good sense of humor. Enjoys nature, walking, music, dancing, traveling, pets. Can relocate. Interested to meet trustworthy, considerate, fit, White gentleman. Photo appreciated.

MEN

GA. 301-877 Widower, 63, is willing to send handwritten personal letters, is willing to accept collect calls. Seeking Jewish woman over 50. Weight/looks unimportant.

WA. 301-897 Well-built male, 47, ISO short hair tom-boy type LTR lady who needs good man in her life. Age, race, size, less. Farm living.

TX. 301-905 Correctional institute inmate. Handsome SWM, 34, many qualities, interests. Seeking friendship, correspondence, LTR with older, sincere, secure, loving SWF preferably living in Texas, who is tired of being lonely like me, hasn't given up on sharing love with that special someone. Released December 2003.

TX. 301-907 Correctional institute inmate. Lonely SWM, 34, tall, dark, handsome, well built, softhearted, caring, affectionate, many qualities, interests, dreams, desires. Likes talking, writing, cuddling, hugging, touching, holding hands, helpless romantic, deeply attracted to and thinks older women are sexy. Seeking the charms of SWF, 40-65, who is secure, ...

MO. 301-908 CWM, 55, dark complexion, bald, Black hair, retired gut, worked and military, "straight arrow", multi-talented, like all activities. Looking for soulmate. Photo please.

IL. 301-914 Correctional institute inmate. I'm ISO a sweet, passionate, understanding friend. I'll try anything whenever ... cells are not the life for me. I want to change. Age, race, weight, gender unimportant.

TX. 301-915 CHM, 41, 5'8", height/weight proportioned, childless, blue collar, independent, homeowner, open-minded. Seeking sexually uninhibited woman, non-smoker, race/age unimportant, independent, relocatable here, for LTR.

NY. 301-916 Native-American male, 35, tall, handsome, spiritual, athletic, an outdoorsman. ISO kind, caring, dependable, slim, attractive woman for friendship, fun, and romantic adventures.

TX. 301-917 Black male, 40, homeowner, financially secure. Enjoy flea markets, fishing, zoos, mountains. Seeking one petite, young, ... female 25-40, quiet homebody, slight handicap OK.

IL. 301-918 Correctional institute inmate. Handsome, lonely, young man, ... seeking female for friendship and serious relationship. Age/race unimportant, pretty smile is. Any reply welcome.

MO. 301-919 SWM, 33, 5'8", 170 lbs., salt/pepper hair, non-smoker/drinker, easygoing. Looking for single female, age not important, who will treat me right.

... 300-920 SWM, 63, 5'10", 160 lbs., seeking lovely, relocatable lady, non-smoker/drinker, over 60 with old-fashioned understanding/morals for lasting companionship together. Photo/phone.

NJ. 302-921 Seeking White female, traditional, European heritage, passionate, loving, for dating relationship. Retiring blue collar SWM, 50s, French-Austrian heritage, tall, good-looking, open-minded, hazel-eyed, light hair.

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SAGITTARIUS	1, 19, 25, 29, 33, 39
CAPRICORN	4, 10, 11, 16, 31, 35

ARIES

Mar. 21 – Apr. 19

Use this week to work on goals you set for the year ahead. Save some time for friends and family.

Very soon now, you may have to confront a nagging financial problem. Long-term planning will help you get your ducks in a row. Do it!

Don't let your desire for calm blur your perception that all is not well. You have the ability to find solutions to pesky problems.

TAURUS

Apr. 20 – May 20

You'll be the belle of the ball this week. Go all out to have a good time — just don't let the popularity go to your head!

Children can bring you much joy now if you set aside time to spend with them. Youngsters belonging to friends are especially attracted to you at this time.

Love is in the air. Singles may find themselves in a new romance.

GEMINI

May 21 – June 20

Everything is falling into place this week! Something really terrific sure looks to be headed your way. And isn't it about time?

Take the time to sit down and make plans for the year ahead. Think of a few things you've always wanted to do but never got around to doing.

A new and exciting relationship is definitely in the cards for you in the not too distant future.

CANCER

June 21 – July 22

A family spat could turn into full-scale war this week if you don't calm things down. The key word is compromise — just don't give too much.

The opposite sex finds you extremely attractive and will likely make a play for your affection. Behaving conservatively in social settings will serve you well.

Don't try to cram too many festivities into too little time this weekend.

LEO

July 23 – Aug. 22

You'll come through in a sticky situation this week where decisiveness and quick action are necessary and being timid is a disadvantage.

Your energy level is high, but don't spin your wheels. List things that need to be done and take on chores one at a time.

With your responsibilities taken care of, the weekend spells fun. Do something exciting.

VIRGO

Aug. 23 – Sept. 22

Take advantage of opportunities for advancement this week. Money and happiness are won with the right decisions.

Excitement at home is welcome. Folks are cheerful and ready to go out and have fun. Even doing humdrum chores seems like play, thanks to the happy atmosphere.

Dreams suddenly seem crammed with meaning for your life.

LIBRA

Sept. 23 – Oct. 22

Cheerfulness may pay big dividends this week.

A friend may try to lean on you, but don't allow yourself to be manipulated. Give support, if necessary, but be careful.

Check your personal budget this week and find out if there are corners you can cut financially. A dollar saved here and there may pay for that trip you've dreamed of.

SCORPIO

Oct. 23 – Nov. 21

Set aside time for yourself this week and relax, take in a movie or call a friend. You deserve a little space.

You're prone to be too sensitive about what other people say to you. It is a fault that can tie your stomach in knots unless you work on it.

You have talents and abilities that aren't being used. It's high time you did something about that.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22 – Dec. 21

You have a fantastic eye for detail and a genius for dealing with people. Both talents could pay off in spades this week — if you use them wisely. Laziness is all that stands between you and the life you've dreamed of.

Get off your butt and into action.

A tale of the supernatural could prove real. Don't scoff at things you don't understand. Stay close to home late in the week.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22 – Jan. 19

Your trusting nature could get you in trouble this week. Put faith in family and close friends, but keep a sharp eye on others. Don't take suggestions and proposals at face value. Check them out carefully. Let big decisions simmer awhile.

A relative has some very good news. Expect a letter or phone call.

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AQUARIUS

Jan. 20 – Feb. 18

Your luck may improve dramatically this week, and you need to be prepared to take advantage of your coming good fortune. Don't be afraid to take risks. You can't lose.

Indecisiveness could spell trouble when it comes to travel plans in the near future. Rely on advice from one you trust to make the right move.

Tempers may flare over a difference of opinion. Try to be agreeable.

PISCES

Feb. 19 – Mar. 20

Look before you leap if an unusual moneymaking scheme comes your way this week. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Being moody could have a negative effect on others around you. Keep yourself on an even keel for everyone's sake.

Chores may be piling up, but relax. Put your feet up and make a list of everything that needs to be done.

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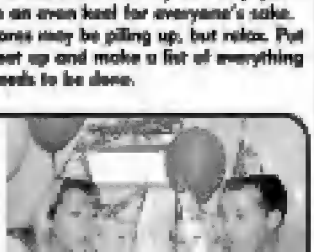

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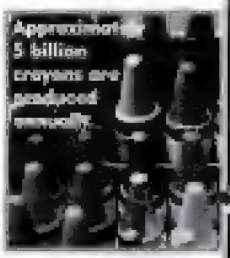
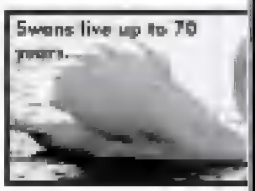


● All of the Peking ducks in the U.S. are descended from nine ducks imported to Long Island, N.Y., in 1873.

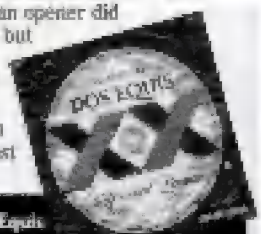
● The world's largest domestically grown flower was a 12-foot calla lily that bloomed in the New York Botanical Gardens in 1987.

● The sun burns 9 million tons of gas a second. At this rate, it has been estimated it will burn out in another 10 billion years.



● When young, the hoatzin, a crested, olive-colored South American bird, has claws on its wings.

● The first can opener was invented in 1858 — 48 years after the tin can was invented. Cans were opened with a hammer and a chisel before then. Ironically, the can opener did not catch on immediately but only became popular after it was given away with a can of tinned beef.



Dos Equis XX Mexican beer was first brewed in 1900 and was originally named Siglo XX to honor the new millennium. Now it is simply called Dos Equis XX.

● There are 32 known cases of nuclear bombs lost at sea.

● One quarter of a brain is used to control the eyes. Humans actually "see" with their brains, with the eyes acting as "cameras."

● Although a cow has no upper front teeth, it grazes up to eight hours a day, taking in about 100 pounds of feed and the equivalent of a bathtub full of water.

Kate Bosworth, best known for starring in the surfer-girl flick *Blue Crush*, is an accomplished athlete in real life. She played varsity soccer and lacrosse, and is a champion equestrian. The blonde beauty has a very unique feature: Her peepers are two different colors, blue and hazel.

● The Emmy TV award was originally named the Immy, after a television camera tube. The name "Immy" was used for many years until the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences changed it to Emmy, as more appropriate for a female statuette. The statuette was created by engineer Louis McManus, who modeled it after his wife.

● The Tower of London, for which construction began in 1078 by William the Conqueror, once housed a zoo. It also has served as an observatory, a mint, a prison, a royal palace, and is now the home

Tomatoes became a popular food for the first time in the U.S. in 1876, when they were wrapped in foil and sold [illegible]

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of the Crown Jewels.

● Charles VI, called Charles the Mad, ruled France from 1380 to 1415. At times, he believed that he was made of glass and inserted iron rods into his clothing to prevent him from "breaking."

● An apple, an onion and a potato all have the same taste. The differences in flavor are caused by their smell. To prove this — pinch your nose and take a bite from each. They will all taste sweet.

● Sun-worshipping Aztecs celebrated the inauguration of their emperor Ahuitzol in 1486 by sacrificing the hearts of 80,000 prisoners.

● Candlestick Park in San Francisco was the site of the Beatles' last performance, on August 29, 1966.

● Forks —then known as "split spoons" — were first used in the Middle Ages, but eating with one was considered decadent and scandalous. In the 11th century, when a Greek princess died shortly after introducing forks at her wedding, it was perceived as divine punishment.

● It is estimated that there are several million earthquakes in the world each year. Many of these earthquakes go undetected because they occur in remote areas or have very small magnitudes. The USGS Earthquake Info Center locates 12,000 to 14,000 earthquakes each year — about 35 daily and on average, about 60 earthquakes per year are classified as significant, with 19 classified as major.

The superstar country group Alabama has an unusual demand in their standard performance contract: No animals backstage at any time. "If there is an animal backstage, Alabama will not perform."

● In the screen credits of Disney's *Fantasia*, the sorcerer's name is listed as "Yensid," which is "Disney" spelled backwards.

● Traffic lights were used before cars were invented. In 1868, a lantern with red and green signals was used at a London intersection to control the flow of horse buggies and pedestrians.

● The Ridgley is a bird that looks like a stuffed duck on stilts and barks like a dog. The barking bird was discovered by ornithologist Robert S. Ridgley in the Andes in Ecuador in June 1998. Thirty of these long-legged, black-and-white barking birds were spotted.

● New Jersey is the most densely populated state in the USA.

● The tomato is the world's most popular fruit. More than 60 million tons of tomatoes are produced per year, 15 million tons more than the second most popular fruit, the banana. Apples are the third most popular (36 million tons), then oranges (34 million tons) and watermelons (22 million tons).

● Synesthesia is a rare condition in which the senses are combined. Synesthetes see spoken words, taste colors and shapes, and feel flavors.

● Bloody Mary is an alcoholic drink — and was the nickname of England's vicious Queen Mary I, who ruled in 1558.

Singer Fiona Apple uses her first and middle names as her full name because

007 FACTS

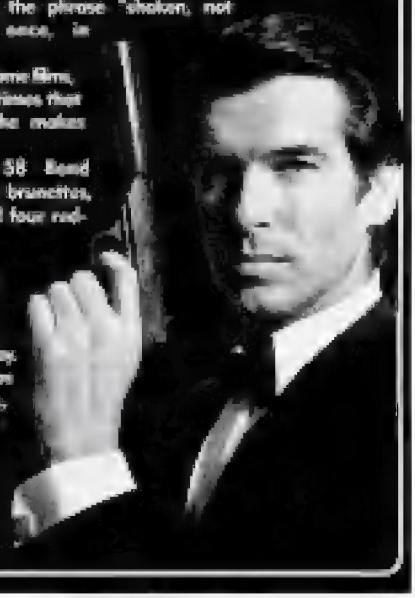
● It is estimated that half the world's population has seen a James Bond movie.

● In his first 20 movies, Bond has 18 martinis. He orders five of them himself — the other 13 are ordered by other people and brought to him. Of the five he orders, he actually receives only three. In seven appearances as Bond, Sean Connery utters the phrase "shaken, not stirred" only once, in Goldfinger.

● In those same films, Bond is told 33 times that he'll die, and he makes love 79 times.

● Of the 58 Bond girls, 29 were brunettes, 25 blondes, and four redheads.

● Pierce Brosnan played James Bond in four films, with a fifth on the way. Roger Moore was 007 seven times, Timothy Dalton played the spy twice, and George Lazenby did Bond only once.



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SADDAM'S CURSE FROM HELL

'May the sex organ of every U.S. man shrink by a full half-measure'

By PETER FINLAYSON/*Weekly World News*

BAGHDAD — Calling on the dark powers of the ancient demons of Mesopotamia, a defiant Saddam Hussein laid a terrifying curse on Americans and anyone who succeeds him as president of Iraq.

Just before coalition forces toppled his statues and destroyed his regime, the demented dictator wrote the curses on a papyrus scroll and then solemnly burned the document before fleeing Baghdad.

"May the smoke from this pyre reach the dark caves in the lowest reaches of Hell and may all the demonic forces of the universe wreak my revenge," he intoned as the scroll burned.

According to *Weekly World News* sources in Iraq, Saddam scrawled 50 curses on the scroll, but most were destroyed in the fire.

U.S. Special Forces found the charred remains of the pages of the document in a bombed out building in Baghdad. Based on what they were able to decipher, Saddam began by writing: "By my father's holy beard and my mother's mustache, may all these curses come to pass.

"MAY the sex organ of every man in the U.S. "shrink by a full half measure and even more for the very big ones. Thus will the Sons of Satan tear their hair and rend their garments, wailing as they grieve over their tiny member.

"MAY the mustache of anyone who succeeds me as president of Iraq mildew, as does leather in a damp closet.

"MAY the imposter's turban never fit, but keep falling over his eyes, and may his favorite camel get the mange. May he get the pox, pimples and constipation and may his fly be always undone.

"MAY the ranch of George Bush, the Texas Terrorist, be afflicted by choking drought and his cattle plagued by flies, frogs, pigs and all manner of unclean beasts.

"MAY many demons smite him so that he becomes even more stupid and may he walk into walls and trip over rugs and do all manner of silly things.

"MAY his member drop off and be trampled into the dust by his favorite camel.

"MAY every American politician who voted for this war be forced to tell the truth so that a lie can never pass their lips. So will their careers be razed and they will be forced to beg their bread in the streets, howling like pariah dogs."

A CIA analyst involved in the investigation of what is becoming known in Washington circles as The Cursed Scroll says:

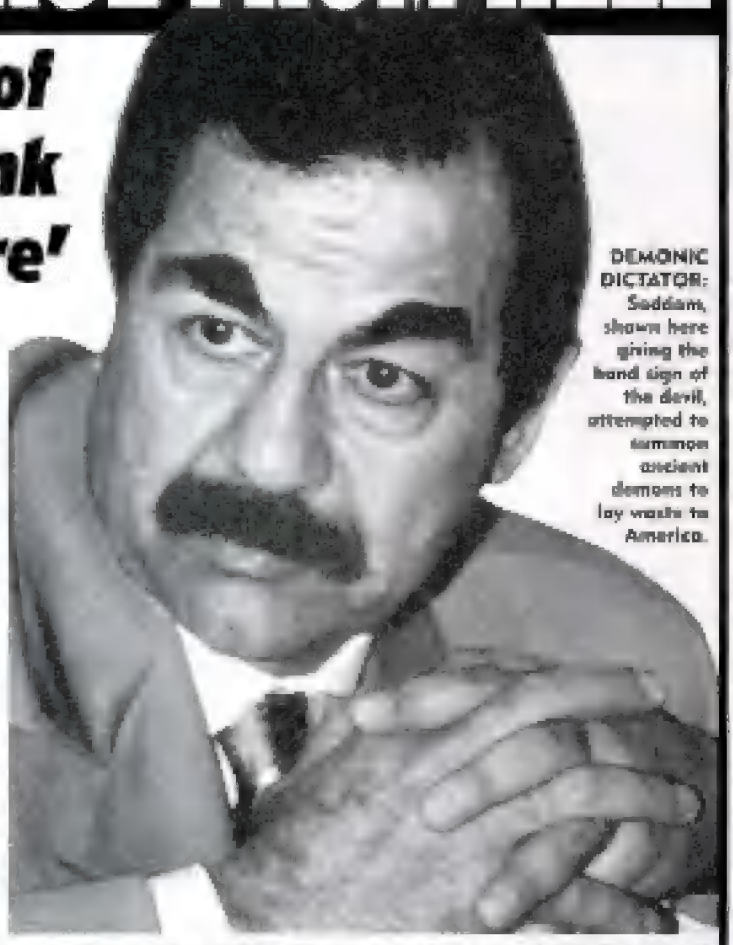
"We're taking these hexes very seriously, especially the ones directed at the president, who doesn't have all that much leeway in the smarts department.

"The contents are horrifying and Saddam left nothing to chance. He called upon the powers of Huwawa and Lamassia, ancient Mesopotamian demons who've been around as long as the Devil himself, to torment Americans or until Allah 'pulls the

refused to acknowledge discovery of the curse, anxious to keep all news coming out of Iraq as upbeat as possible. But there is reason to believe these are more than just empty words.

"Saddam was raised in backward Tikrit, the son of superstitious peasants," says the CIA source. "He became an astute student of the occult and built one of the largest collections of books on demonology in the world.

"A curse laid down by Saddam Hussein is not like one that some deranged medieval hag puts on the village before being burned at the stake. It's something we should all take very, very seriously."



DEMONIC DICTATOR: Saddam, shown here giving the hand sign of the devil, attempted to summon ancient demons to lay waste to America.

SHOCK AND AWE: U.S. soldiers discovered the remains of the scroll after bombing out one of Saddam's palaces.

HUSSEIN'S UNHOLY HEX FOR U.S.

Sources in Iraq say Saddam added an addendum to his scroll that reads in part:

Hear me, People of America:

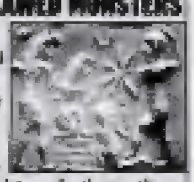
By the time you read these words, I may be dead, a brave martyr who gave his life's blood for his country. But my spirit will live on and will walk this land for all eternity, opposing and thwarting you.

And in America too, my hatred shall be felt. I call upon the great ancient spirits of our land — Huwawa and Lamassia — to avenge me.

For 700 years my curse will remain upon your land. MAY it only be lifted by a blood descendant of mine, who utters the words, 'Allah, spare them.'

VERY SUPERSTITIOUS: Saddam left nothing to chance when he called upon the powers of Huwawa and Lamassia, ancient Mesopotamian demons who've been around as long as the Devil himself, to torment Americans or until Allah 'pulls the rugs out from under them.'

MESOPOTAMIAN DEMONS WERE MEAN, BIRD-CLAWED MONSTERS



ANCIENT carvings found in Iraqi caves reveal the fearsome, feathered demons of the Mesopotamian culture. The monsters, which have the head of a man, the body of a bird and the claws of a lion, are known as Lamassia and Huwawa.

OUCH!

Is that a spear — or are you just happy to see me?

TWO guys from the Mendi region of the Highlands in Papua New Guinea stand back-to-back in a tribal war dance that dates back centuries. Holding a traditional spear between their legs, they chant a moving mantra of hope for a fertile rainy season, with bumper crops and bountiful hunting expeditions. The ritual, designed to bond brother with brother, lasts for a full 24 hours before the dancers retire to bed with their wives – remembering, of course, to first remove the ceremonial spear.

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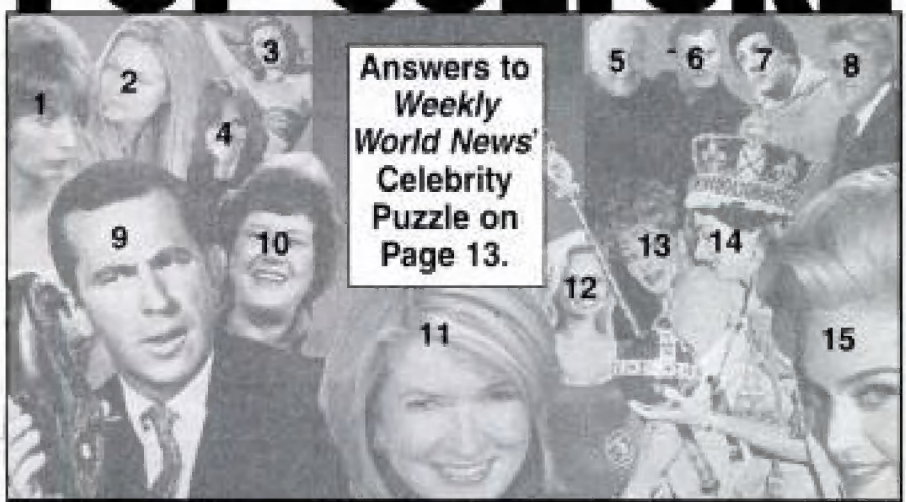

Answers to *Weekly World News'* Celebrity Puzzle on Page 13.

1. Penny Marshall: Penny Lane
2. Michelle Pfeiffer: Michelle
3. Rita Hayworth: Lovely Rita
7. Sylvester Stallone as Rocky: Rocky Raccoon
8. Jay Leno: Blue Jay Way
9. Don Adams as Maxwell Smart: Maxwell's Silver
My Dear
12. Pam Anderson: Polythene Pam
13. Lucy Ball: Lucy in the Sky

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"This one's finished . . . could you do a spell-check please, Father Barnabus?"

"We have a lot in common. You're filthy rich and I like to spend money like it's going out of style."

"I keep starting off each day on the wrong foot . . ."

"Miss Brown . . . if we should hire

BIBLE SHOCKER: COMMANDMENTS IN IRAQ

MOSES came down from Mount Sinai with a whole bunch of God's Commandments — then carelessly misplaced seven of them.

But that earth-shaking "Oops" has now been righted, thanks to the recovery of ancient stone tablets looted from the Baghdad Museum.

The tablets are a transcription of the 17 Commandments made by an Israelite scribe at or around 1400 B.C., shortly after Moses brought them down from the mountain.

Bible scholar Dr. Monica Sellerman says the notebook-size slabs of granite were recovered by the U.S. Army and confirm a long-held suspicion that Moses forgot quite a lot after he shattered his copies of the sacred contract in a fit of pique and then frantically tried to recall the Commandments from memory.

Last year, archaeologists discovered three lost Commandments on Mount Sinai on fragments of the original tablets, and *Weekly World News* was there to report the find in our November 12, 2002 edition.

"The discovery of yet four more Commandments will shake the Judeo-Christian tradition to its

HOLY MOSES: You thought there were only 10 Commandments? Turns out,

4 LOST FOUND

THEY KEEP COMING: *Weekly World News* broke the story of three lost Commandments found last year. Since then, four more sacred writings have been recovered.

Recent excavations find the writings that Moses forgot!

foundations," Sellerman says. "The already found 11th, 12th and 13th Commandments deal with diet, hygiene and incest, but the newly discovered statutes go much further in regulating our personal lifestyles."

Sellerman says, as with the other three, Moses completely lost track of the 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th Commandments. But the unnamed scribe managed to piece them together from the shattered fragments of the original tablets.

Here, in their entirety, are the four lost Commandments as they were written almost 3,500 years ago:

14th COMMANDMENT: "Thou shalt say the evening prayer I have given unto you as a token of your covenant with Me."

The transcribed tablets say this Commandment refers to God's promise that the faithful can ascend bodily into Heaven by adding the sentence, "Eternal life is mine through you, O Lord," to their evening prayers.

15th COMMANDMENT: "Thou shalt not laze about on a soft divan but walk and run every day for thy body's sake."

This is an exhortation to the Israelites to exercise daily and not to become overweight couch potatoes.

16th COMMANDMENT: "Thou shalt not fill thy great belly to bursting but eat sparingly of bread, herbs and wine and touch not the flesh of animals."

Here God commands us to eat modest vegetarian meals, though he does allow the drinking of wine.

17th COMMANDMENT: "Thou shalt not inhale the smoke of the campfire or burning grass or any herb or any weed, for the sake of thy health."

Long before there was a Surgeon General, God told us not to smoke, and included in this warning is "weed," meaning marijuana.

"This is what I call a Biblical bombshell," Sellerman said in announcing the discovery of the tablets. "Omissions aside, the 10 Commandments Moses did recall are pretty much dead on. Now the missing seven complete the picture.

"I think we should immediately incorporate the new Commandments in our moral code.

'They are divinely inspired rules to live by and we'll all be better people by following them."

Transcriptions of the entire 17 Commandments are currently being studied at the Vatican and in Israel.

Dr. Sellerman says she expects they will be authenticated within the next three months.

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Transneuro ... company in Mt. Arli ... J., makes medical devices fo ... ople with obesity and other diseases. They are promoting its new gadget as an alternative to risky, painful stomach stapling.

In that procedure, part of the stomach is closed off so you can't eat much food without feeling full.

The Transneuronix device can be left on constantly or just used to prevent binge eating.

It was invented by an Italian doctor and is being patented by Transneuronix.

Chocolate bra's a sweet treat!

A NEW brassiere can make your gal look good enough to eat. But you might want to eat the bra instead: It's made of chocolate!

Designed by Reinlinde Trummer in Graz, Austria, the bra uses four pounds of real chocolate that's specially made so body heat won't melt it down. And while you might think an edible underthing is already spicy enough, Trummer adds some frisky flavor with chili pepper and whiskey.

Each bra takes three weeks to make and costs about $160.

Trummer says buyers are snapping up the bras, often as wedding gifts. "That makes for a really sweet honeymoon," she grins.

Bank manager bans neckties

MEN aren't allowed to wear ties to work anymore at a branch of a bank, after the manager announced the neckwear "alienates customers."

Male workers "will no longer be allowed to wear ties," says Mette Norbye Olsen, manager of Postbanken's branch in Tromsoe, Norway. "They are a symbol for leadership and solemnity and we believe this alienates customers."

She says she wants the bank to have a more relaxed working atmos-

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